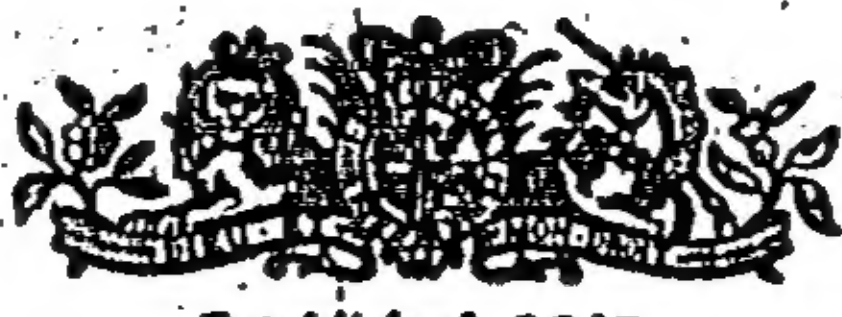


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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Critical Moment

WEEKEND events in Tehran have created for Persia a confusing political situation from which far-reaching repercussions are inevitable. The Shah would appear to be challenging the authority of Dr Mossadegh, but in a hesitant and half-hearted manner. The obvious technique suggesting itself would have been the staging of a coup d'etat designed to restore full monarchical powers to the Shah, much of which he was forced to surrender to Mossadegh last year. But this has not transpired, and the signs are that the Shah has not behind him the full support of the Army. Even the reported attempt to seize Tehran radio station amounted to nothing more than a noisy demonstration. Dr Mossadegh has been given breathing space and he has sufficiently recovered his position to be able to threaten to seek a popular referendum through which, he believes, the dispute between himself and the Royal House would be decisively settled—in his favour. It is conceivable that the Shah could not afford to have the issue submitted to the people, who have so far given little if any sign of dissatisfaction with Mossadegh's policies. The Shah's personal popularity is a matter for speculation. He appears to possess a certain number of influential supporters, but the knowledge he lost out in one showdown with Mossadegh cannot encourage him to believe that he can win a second trial of strength merely through an emotional appeal to the people.

It is true, however, that the Persian Premier does not in any way command the full backing of the Majlis. Some of his closest associates have recently expressed criticism of his handling of the Anglo-Persian oil dispute, and there has been more than one display of passive resistance on the part of the Majlis by members' refusal to constitute a quorum for debating and voting on resolutions submitted by the Premier. Mossadegh has so far obtained all the votes of confidence he has demanded, but not without a display of reluctance by Parliament, and if, during the next few hours, the pro-monarchical movement should strengthen itself among the rank and file, the Persian Premier would be in considerable danger of defeat. Such a development would immediately present Mullah Kashani, leader of the fanatic Moslem group and friend of the Communists, with the opportunity for which he has been quietly waiting. With the help of the Communists, Kashani might find it possible to take power, either personally or through a stooge. The danger is increased by the indications that while the Shah wishes to see Mossadegh deposed, he has no sympathetic politician at his disposal, possessing sufficient popularity with the people, to put in Mossadegh's place. And that the Communists are ready to act, given what they consider the right moment or opportunity, is illustrated by their offer to Mossadegh to assist him in his fight with the Shah. The present moment may be even more critical for Persia than last year's riots which led Mossadegh to win his dictatorial powers.

## Mossadegh Supporters Seek Sanctuary DEMONSTRATIONS IN TEHERAN CONTINUE

Teheran, Mar. 1. The 30 National Front deputies, strongest supporters of Premier Mohammed Mossadegh, have decided to seek sanctuary inside the Majlis, lower house of Parliament, as rival pro-Mossadegh and pro-Shah demonstrations continued in the capital.

Teheran Radio said they will remain in the Majlis until "the nation's will is carried out."

The National Front deputies also wrote to the Shah before the Sunday session of the Majlis, urging him not to regard complacently the activities of Army officers who, they alleged, had since Saturday been endangering the security of the state and furthering nefarious designs of foreign interests.

The letter assured the Shah that the National Front deputies wanted to preserve and strengthen the Constitution. They complained that the activities of certain officers had already damaged the reputation of the Constitution and the monarchy.

The National Front deputies, whose absence from the Majlis prevented the gathering of a quorum this morning, also sent a letter to the Speaker of the House declaring they would not attend the Majlis unless all their deputy speakers were allowed to take the chair in successive sessions, and not Deputy Zulfikar alone.

Prime Minister Mossadegh had earlier today dismissed his army and police chiefs—General Baharmast, Chief of the General Staff, and Brigadier Afshar, Chief of Police for a month.

The new army chief is a pro-Mossadegh man, General Taghi Milihi. The Majlis was strongly guarded tonight as rival demonstrations rocked the city streets, some shouting for Dr Mossadegh and others for the 33-year-old Shah, whose decision to leave the country and then to stay instead, touched off the demonstrations.

**ARMY SPLIT**  
The Iranian Army appeared split by the show-down struggle between the aged Premier and supporters of the young monarch. The Foreign Minister, Hossein Fatemi, described the situation as "critical" and said Mossadegh would resign within 48 hours if the Majlis failed to uphold him against the "intrigues" of the Shah's Court. Unless he got a confidence vote—and he has never failed so far—Dr Mossadegh planned to quit as Premier and demand a nationwide referendum on his stand against the Royal House. Dr Mossadegh does not like the way the Court has been spending the 250,000,000-rial (US\$7,500,000) Imperial Budget. The Shah, who had dramatically announced yesterday that he was leaving the country but then reversed himself in a speaking speech to his supporters, remained in the heavily-guarded Palace. In streets, a group of his supporters marched on Radio Teheran and their spokesman claimed prematurely, "We have just captured Radio Teheran and our men won't allow anyone to broadcast propaganda from there."

However, Sherman tanks and armoured cars frustrated their attempt. The marchers with-

## Endeavour To Find Harmonious Policies

Washington, Mar. 2. British and American statesmen will try here this week for harmonious, if not common, foreign policies for the dollar and sterling areas.

Talks are due to open on Wednesday when the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr R. A. Butler, arrive in Washington. In the economic field, unlike other Anglo-American conferences, the British Ministers will be presenting the entire Commonwealth. They are bringing with them a plan to re-establish a sterling-dollar trading system worked out last September by the London conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers.

And for the first time since the war British and American statesmen will be discussing the dollar gap problem with a permanent settlement in mind and not against the background of an emergency sterling crisis.

**FOUR MEASURES**  
Many of the measures which Mr Eden and Mr Butler will urge the United States Government to take to expand trade in the dollar and sterling areas are already declared objectives of the Eisenhower administration. They were listed in President Eisenhower's State of the Union message last month and include: 1. Simplification of outdated and over complicated American customs regulations and procedures. 2. Liberalisation and extension of United States reciprocal trade agreements with sterling area countries. 3. Encouragement of dollar investment in the sterling area. 4. Purchase for dollars by the United States Government of military equipment and strategic raw materials in the sterling area.

Other measures now being urged upon the Eisenhower Administration by United States business leaders include: 1. Repeal of outdated "Buy American" legislation, which prevents United States Government departments from purchasing sterling area goods. 2. Removal of restrictions on the use of sterling area shipping to transport goods under foreign aid programmes. 3. Reduction or removal of United States tariffs and agricultural import quotas.

But no early decision is expected on these measures.

**STAGE BY STAGE**  
This week's talks will be different in another respect—it will be the first time for more than 20 years that Britain and the United States have both been represented by right-wing leaders.

The talks this week are part of a stage by stage attempt to move towards a permanent balance of trade between the dollar and sterling areas, and eventually towards conditions in which the pound sterling can be made convertible with the dollar.

Because of the stage by stage plan, no immediate agreement or concrete result is expected from this conference.—Reuter.



EDGAR SANDERS

## Danger Of US Bases In Sweden Explained

Washington, Mar. 1. The Swedish Ambassador, Mr Erik Boheman, said today that if the United States were to establish bases in Sweden, "it might provoke serious counter measures from others."

Discussing Sweden's position in world affairs in a radio interview over a national network, Mr Boheman said Sweden, stayed neutral militarily because of her geographical position and her tradition of keeping out of military so-called entanglements.

"If the Americans were to establish bases in Sweden," he said, "that might provoke serious counter measures from the other side with regard to Finland, which would in itself make our military and strategic situation much more difficult."

Mr Boheman, a guest on the Columbia Broadcasting System's "The Europe Story," said Sweden had been increasing her defence budget since World War II and had "arrived at a fairly good defence establishment—in any case stronger than any other in Europe."

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"We can mobilise something like 600,000 men at very short notice, say 48 hours, in our Army and they will be fully equipped—about 20 divisions."

He added that Sweden had a "very effective air force" of 1,000 to 1,200 modern planes, mostly jet fighters manufactured in Sweden, and a Navy which he described as "not very large but very efficient and adapted for our needs."

He said Sweden intended to maintain this force even though it had been a great burden, since "if a major war broke out we would undoubtedly be immediately surrounded by countries involved in war."

**SWEDEN'S POLICY**  
He pointed out that Sweden adhered to a policy of co-operation with other free nations, had joined all United European enterprises, except military pacts and had supplied medical aid to the United Nations forces in Korea.

"We think that with the geographical position we have, our troops had better remain in Sweden," he said.

Asked about attacks on Swedish flying boats and planes over international waters, he said these "unprovoked and unjustified attacks" had "provoked the deepest sentiments in Sweden."

## IMPRISONED MAN'S WIFE TO APPEAL TO GOVERNMENT

### Implores Acceptance Of Red Offer

London, Mar. 1. The fair-haired wife of a British businessman in a Hungarian gaol said today that she would appeal personally to the government to accept the weird Communist offer to barter him for a Chinese girl Communist captured in Malaya.

Mrs Winifred Sanders, wife of Edgar Sanders, imprisoned business partner of American Robert Vogeler, said she was going to the Foreign Office to implore it to take a chance to free her husband.

"I pray the government will agree," she said. "Surely the exchange can harm no one and may bring happiness to an English home."

Edgar Sanders, a cousin of actor George Sanders, was arrested and convicted on spy charges with Vogeler, who was later ransomed by the United States. Vogeler's sentence was 15 years and Sanders' 12.

The move by international Communism to free the jungle girl who is under a death sentence in Malaya, was the first known break in the Sanders case since he was sentenced in 1950. Foreign Office sources were weighing the proposal and the only comment they have been prepared to make up to now was that by a spokesman: "The offer is unprecedented."

**THE DILEMMA**  
Several government departments are involved in the dilemma of how to save Sanders and avoid blackmail by the Communists. The Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, now at sea en route to the London Daily Express to favour acceptance of the Red offer. But the Express said the deal was turned down by the majority of the Cabinet when it was suggested some weeks ago.

The United States ransomed Vogeler by promising to help Hungary regain treasures looted by the Nazis. Mrs Sanders said: "I was told at that time that Britain had no similar concessions to make. I was given to understand that had Britain been able to offer concessions she would have done so. If that was so then, now is the time for the Foreign Office and government to show they meant what they said. After all, it is the Hungarians who are seeking terms from us."

She has sent a telegram to the Prime Minister saying: "Please do all possible to release my husband Edgar Sanders, father of my three girls."

**VOGELER'S PROPOSAL**  
New York, Mar. 1. Mr Robert Vogeler, former prisoner of the Hungarian Communists, said today that the United States should offer to spare the lives of the condemned spies, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, in return for the freedom of the captive American correspondent, William Oatis.

Mr Vogeler also urged that Britain accept Hungary's offer of trading his former business colleague, Edgar Sanders, for Communist girl sentenced to death in Malaya and that the United States "proceed on the same basis to free Oatis" from his Czechoslovakian gaol.

"We would not be sacrificing any principles by such an offer," said Mr Vogeler, who was ransomed by the United States from a Hungarian prison after being convicted of "espionage" against the satellite government.

**LAST CHANCE?**  
Oatis, Associated Press correspondent in Prague, was arrested on a charge of espionage and imprisoned by the satellite Czechoslovakian government. Mr Vogeler said of Hungary's offer: "This offer is a more than possible last chance to save Edgar Sanders. It may be a Communist hint of how we can get Bill Oatis out."

## Gestapo Chief To Die

Bordeaux, Mar. 1. The wartime chief of the Nazi Gestapo at Perleux was sentenced today to die for his part in the reprisal killing of more than 100 French civilians. The court deliberated seven hours and at 4.30 a.m. announced the death sentence for Michael Hambrecht, 63, boss of Perleux headquarters for Central France.

Joseph Kitz, 47, chief adjutant, was given ten years and labour at Jakob Rauen, 44, adjutant, was acquitted.

Apart from these three defendants, four others were convicted in absentia. One was sentenced to death and the other three to 20 years' hard labour.—United Press.

## CAUGHT IN ERUPTING CRATER

Wellington, Mar. 2. Caught in the crater of the volcano Mount Ngauruhoe just as the mountain erupted, Mr J. H. Malcolm, of the National Park, yesterday escaped a heavy barrage of flying rocks with a badly gashed thumb. The mountain has been erupting during the past month at more or less frequent intervals, but during a quiescent period Mr Malcolm went up to the crater to investigate.

"The mountain was rumbling all the time," said Mr Malcolm, "and I took photographs from a position in the crater where I could get out quickly."

After about 20 minutes there was a big rumbling and a medium shot burst of rocks and ash about 200 feet into the air. "I took a flying jump over the rim, gliding down the slopes. When I was about a hundred yards from the top, there was a terrific bang and rocks scored hundreds of feet above me. They rained down for about ten minutes, and one gashed my thumb."

"What put the wind up me more than anything was the hot ash. I could not shelter from it and felt it burning," said Mr Malcolm, recounting his experiences afterwards.—Reuter.

## Shepherds Said Kidnapped

Amman, Mar. 1. The senior Jordanian member of the Mixed Armistice Commission, Asim Nassasib, said at a news conference today that Israeli soldiers kidnapped shepherds from Jordan territory and killed them.

He said soldiers dragged the shepherds across the Israeli border, shot them and mutilated the bodies. He added that the soldiers carried off 177 goats and sheep.—United Press.

## Hundreds Arrested During Hindu Spring Festival

New Delhi, Mar. 1. Police this weekend arrested several hundred people all over India as youths and children celebrated with customary exuberance the two-day Hindu "Holi" festival for the coming of spring.

From dawn till midday today gangs of children and young men, in cities and villages throughout the country, galloped at street corners with buckets and syringes to "ambush" cars, cyclists and pedestrians, spraying them with brilliant red, yellow or blue liquid so that by lunch time, all those bold enough to venture out were covered from head to foot in rainbow hues.

In Calcutta about five people were injured in "Holi" brawls and 350 were taken in custody for sprinkling coloured water on unwilling persons.

In Benares 15 people were arrested by the police after a clash between Holi celebrants and non-Hindus in which six persons were injured by stones.

The origin of the Holi festival, which is like a mixture between the pre-Christian Easter, All Fools Day and Guy Fawkes Day, has been lost in the mists of time.

The burning of bonfires on Holi night is said to commemorate the burning of Holika, sister of the demon king, who tried to burn her brother's son but fell in the fire herself.

The sprinkling with coloured water is said to be a remnant of some ancient fertility rite.—Reuter.

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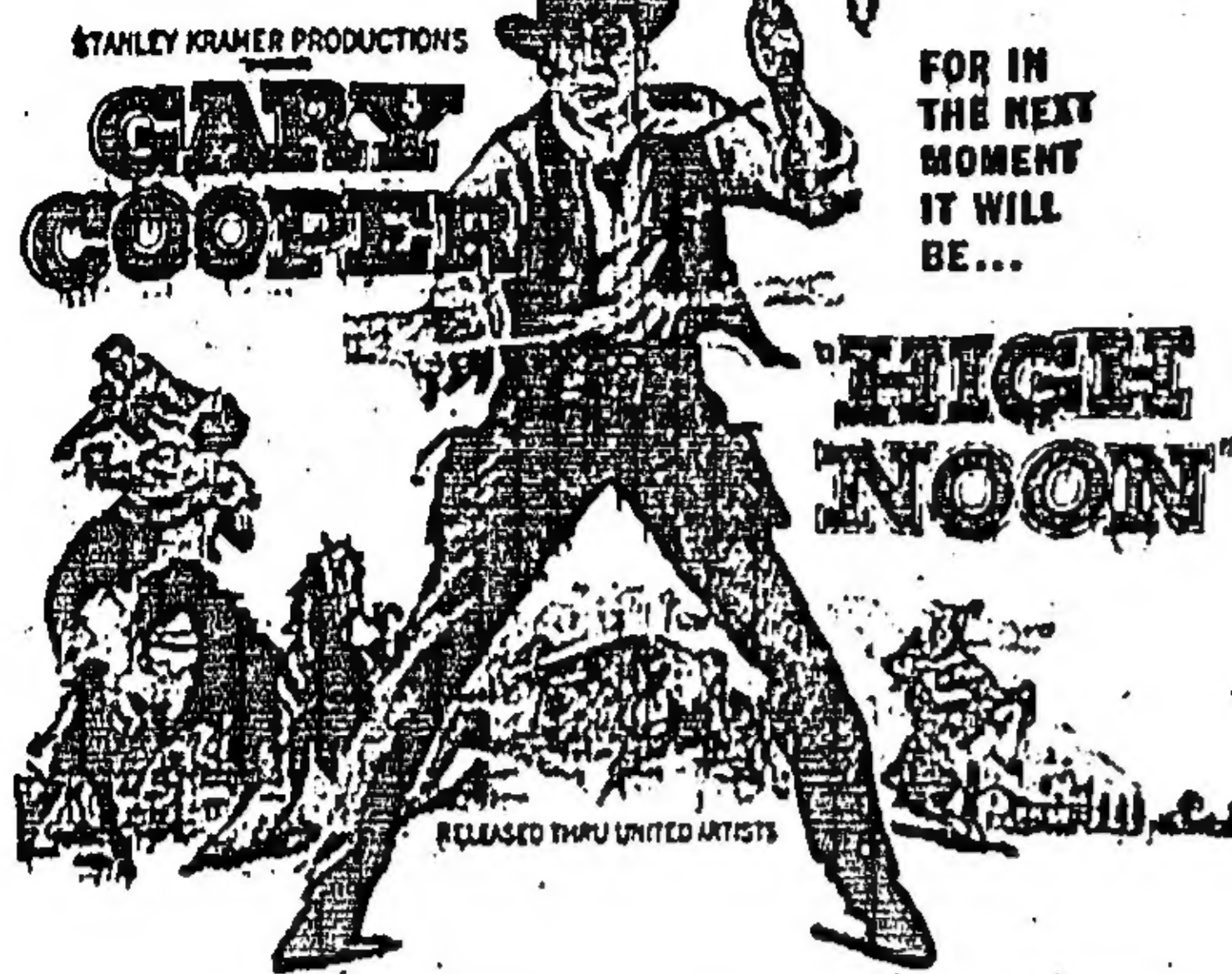


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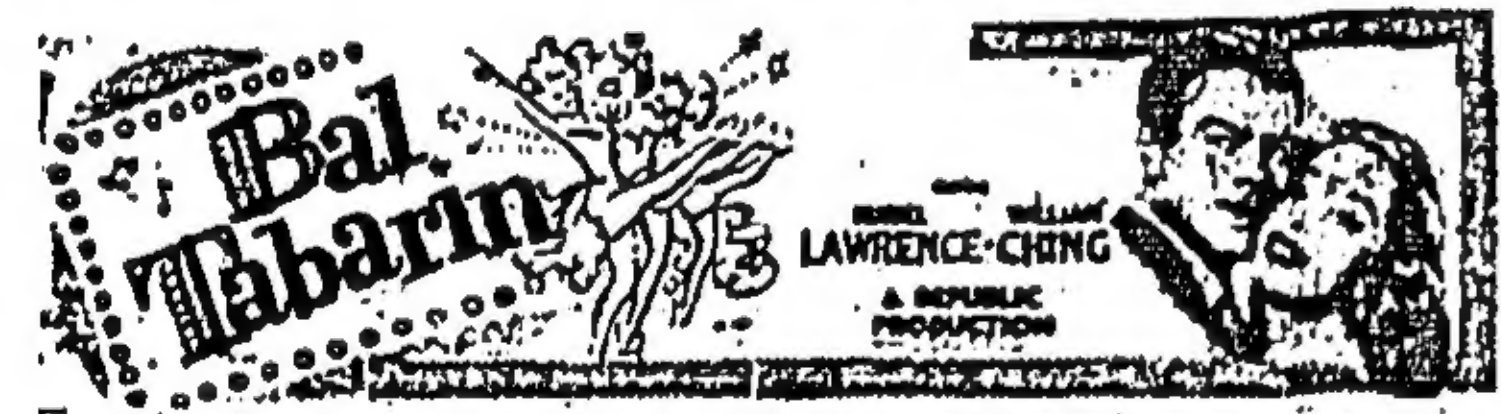
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## Aneurin Bevan In India



Mr Aneurin Bevan, the British Labour leader, who is on a visit to India, meets the President, Dr Rajendra Prasad, at New Delhi.—Express Photo.

## A-Bomb Radiation Effect On Eyes

Results Of Research In Hiroshima

Washington, Mar. 1. The danger of partial or complete blindness from atomic bomb radiation appears to be much less than first indicated from early studies at Hiroshima, a Navy medical researcher reports. Lieutenant Robert M. Sinskey says that new studies by the Government's Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission shows that, while at least 154 persons suffered "radiation cataracts" of the eye from the Hiroshima blast, only a very small percentage of them have so far shown any major loss of vision.

A cataract is a spot in the lens of the eye large enough to obstruct vision. The doctor was talking about the optical effects of radioactive rays from a bomb explosion.

These are distinguished from heat waves which also are given off. Two Air Force scientists said meanwhile in San Antonio, Texas, that if you happened to be looking directly at the flash of an atomic bomb explosion, you would probably be blinded by heat waves, even though you were five miles away.

But they added that the chance you would be looking at the exact time and place is less than one in 15,000. Their report did not state whether such blindness would be permanent, but atomic scientists in Washington said that while cases of temporary blindness resulted from heat waves at Hiroshima, there is no proof that anyone suffered permanent loss of vision from the cause.

NOT INEVITABLE Dr Sinskey said in an interview that the public needs reassurance regarding cataracts caused by radioactive rays. "The word 'cataract' to the average physician, as well as the layman, connotes severe loss of vision and even blindness," he said.

The evidence to date fails to justify any conclusion that loss of vision is often an inevitable result of an atomic blast, he said. He suggested the public may have been misled by two factors:

1. Early studies at Hiroshima on less than a dozen cases of radiation cataract reported most complained of falling vision.
2. Early scientific reports on radiation cataracts among Hiroshima people dealt only with their occurrence—and did not state to what extent they actually had affected vision, as determined by scientific observation.

MANY GRADATIONS Dr Sinskey said the new studies by the Commission covered a large number of cataract cases, showing there can be many gradations, ranging from little or no effect on vision up to very serious disorders.

Dr Sinskey, a medical officer, made the statements in answer to questions about a formal report he submitted to the Navy and the National Research Council.

Describing studies he made on 154 cataract cases at Hiroshima, he said 129 were found to have normal vision and "most of the other 25 'serviceable vision'." Only a few, he added, had eye defects that could not be corrected with "eye-glasses," and only two patients had "to have operations because of loss of vision due to radiation effects upon the eye."

Little or no change was noted in the size of the cataract formation in most of the patients examined over a three-year period. While three years was not an adequate time to draw definite conclusions, the indications so far were very hopeful.—Associated Press.

# America Planning New Policy In The Middle East

Washington, Mar. 1. The Eisenhower Administration is reported to be ready to try a new approach in Middle East policy. It involves more attention to Arab countries and less to Israel.

Senior officials are reported convinced this change is necessary if the Western bloc is to counter vastly increased Russian pressure in that area.

The new aim will be to treat all Middle East countries scrupulously alike and to avoid any special aid programme of privileges for Israel.

Under the Democratic Administration, the United States gave the young Jewish Republic more financial and technical aid than all Arab States combined. A total of \$200,510,000 in loans, grants and credits was extended to Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, Iran and Jordan in the last seven years.

In four years alone Israel was allotted a total of \$276,517,000, much of it in the form of grants appropriated by Congress.

Congress, which traditionally has been partial to Israel, could possibly upset the new policy before it gets started.

CLASH POSSIBLE Senator Robert Taft (Republican, Ohio), among others, has been an enthusiastic advocate of aid to Israel in the past.

This could lead to a clash with senior Administration officials, including the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, who is known to believe the past Administration's policy toward the Middle East was all wrong. But responsible officials who hope to translate the new policy into action believe they can persuade Congress to view the Middle East in terms of the whole region and not Israel alone.

Their argument will go something like this: Russia has started a major political and propaganda offensive to win over Arab nations and possibly grab the rich oil fields of Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, along with the strategic Suez area.

BEST HOPE The best hope in thwarting this plot is to put new drive into the West's stalled plans for creating a Middle East defence alliance which includes most Arab nations.

This will be virtually impossible as long as Arab nations continue to believe American policy will always be heavily pro-Israel.

To prove this is false and to persuade the Arab States to spurn Russian overtures, it must be necessary to treat all Middle Eastern States impartially.

Eventually, after the Middle East alliance is a going concern, Israel will be invited to join with all sides linked in a common alliance. It may then be possible to insure Arab-Jewish peace and an effective defence against Russia.—Associated Press.

## Drastic Cuts By Pakistan

Karachi, Mar. 1. The Pakistan Government tonight announced a new import policy, drastically cutting imports from the dollar area.

The Government has been forced to end its liberal policy on imports by the serious decline in foreign exchange earnings in the past year, especially earnings from jute and cotton, two of Pakistan's main exports. The Government is now banning the import from dollar areas of cars (except certain special types), motor cycles, building and engineering materials, engineering equipment, chemicals, radios, electrical equipment, iron-work, surgical equipment, explosives, cotton, wool, silk and many other items.

All these goods are only a list of 200 items which may be imported, under licence, from non-dollar areas and Japan.—Reuter.

## "Brotherhood Week" Off To Bad Start

Berlin, Mar. 1. Rabbi Peter Levinsohn, head of West Berlin's Jews, today walked out of a meeting of Christians and Jews here which opened a "Week of Brotherhood."

He said afterwards he felt insulted by the opening speech by a Protestant, Dr G. Jacob.

Rabbi Levinsohn said: "Dr Jacob spoke in an arrogant and tactless manner. He asserted that brotherhood could exist among Christians only. But in a condescending tone he added that Christians could take a brotherly attitude towards Jews."

The "Week of Brotherhood" was organized by the Society for Christian-Jewish Co-operation. Similar brotherhood weeks are being held in other countries, including Britain, Canada, France and the United States.—Reuter.

## FRENCH PREMIER'S WARNING

Defence Pact Must Be Ratified

Algiers, Mar. 1. The French Premier, M. Rene Mayer, today urged ratification of the European Army treaty as the best means to assure Western Europe's efficient defence and the only chance to prevent the rebirth of German militarism.

In a major foreign policy speech, the Radical Socialist Premier declared that the Western Allies had decided to fight any eventual Russian aggression as far to the East as possible and he saw no other way of assuring the Continent's defence but by integrating German soldiers into the Allied armies.

M. Mayer warned that rejection of the European Army treaty by the National Assembly would create a "mistral" abroad and leave France alone to face grave dangers.

He attacked "sterile" criticism of the EDC, which, he said, offered no substitute for the controversial pact.

"In the event of aggression of totalitarian countries, it is the battle of Europe which will decide the fate of North Africa," he said.

"This battle of Europe will decide the future of the free world. The Atlantic allies' plans call for efficient defence of the Continent. This means it will be defended as far to the East as possible."—United Press.

## Lady Mountbatten Ends Visit

New Delhi, Mar. 1. Lady Mountbatten left by Comet jet tonight for London after a month's stay as the personal guest of Prime Minister Nehru to recuperate from pneumonia.

Lady Mountbatten, who was looking much fitter after her stay, was seen on the plane at the airport by Mr. Nehru.—Reuter.

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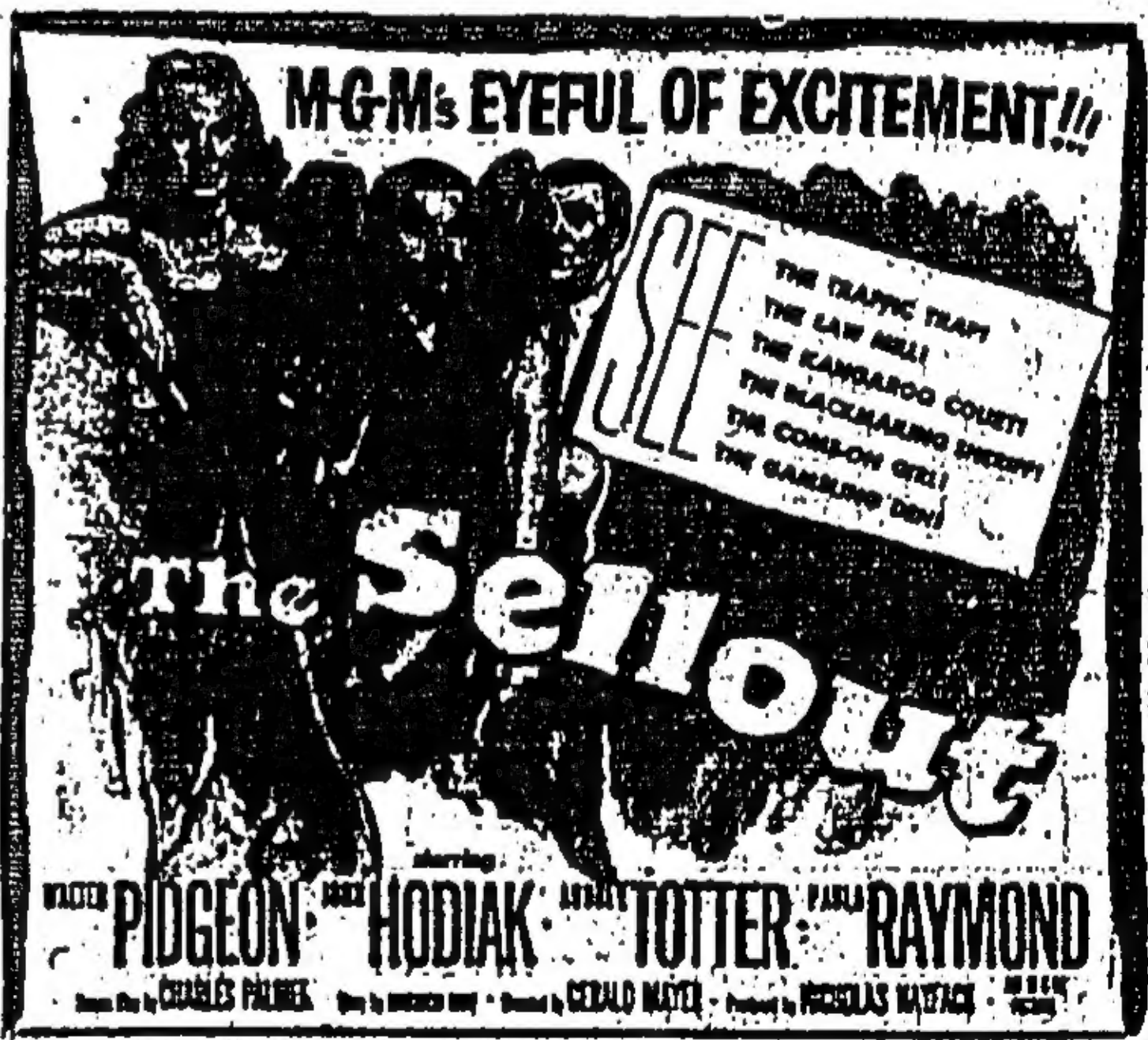
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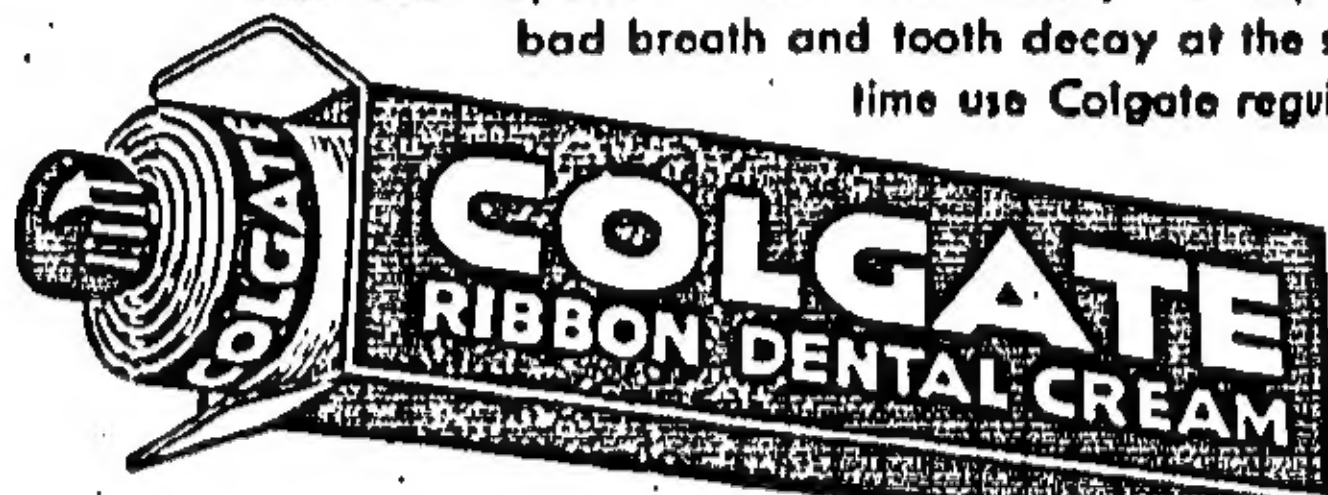
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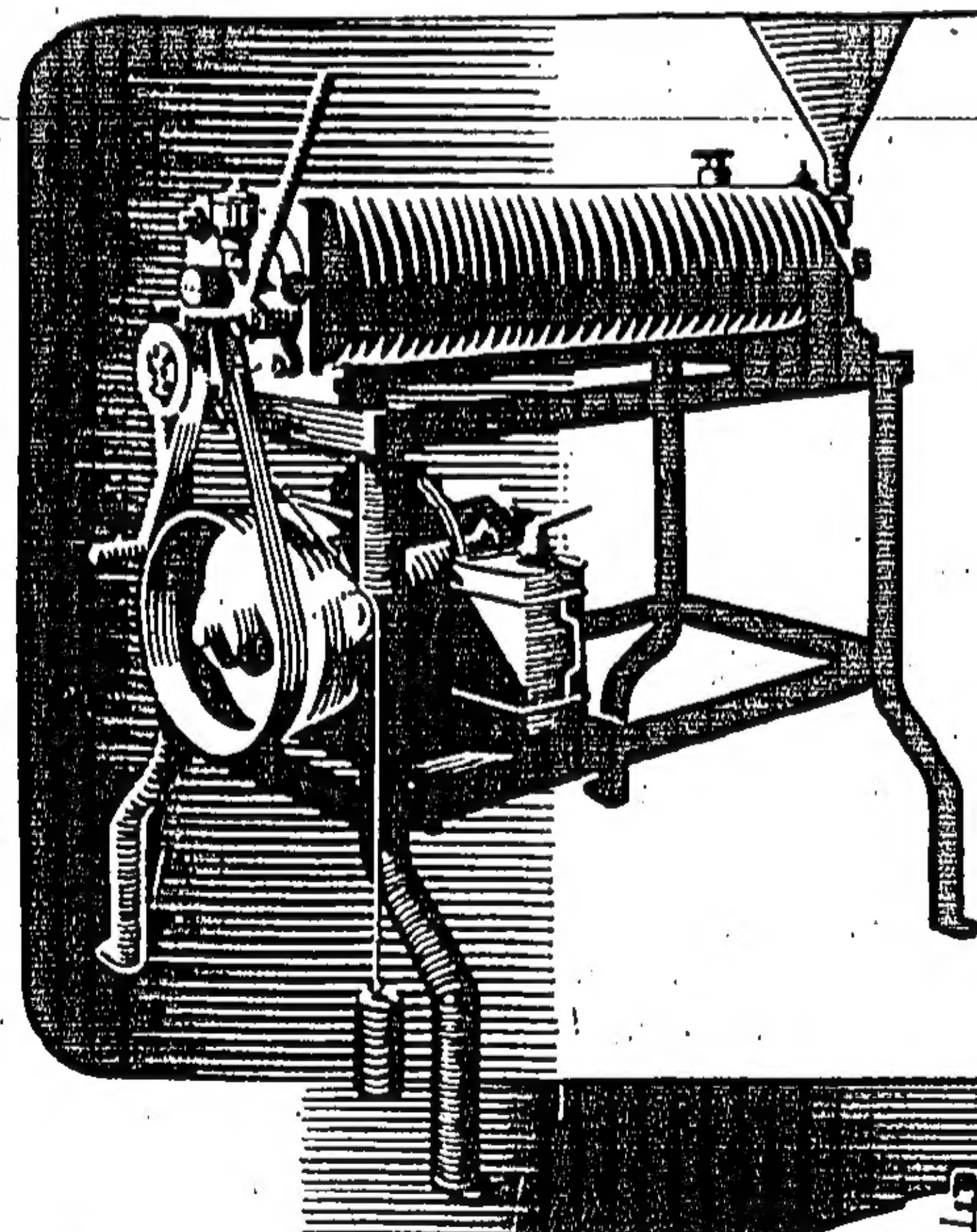
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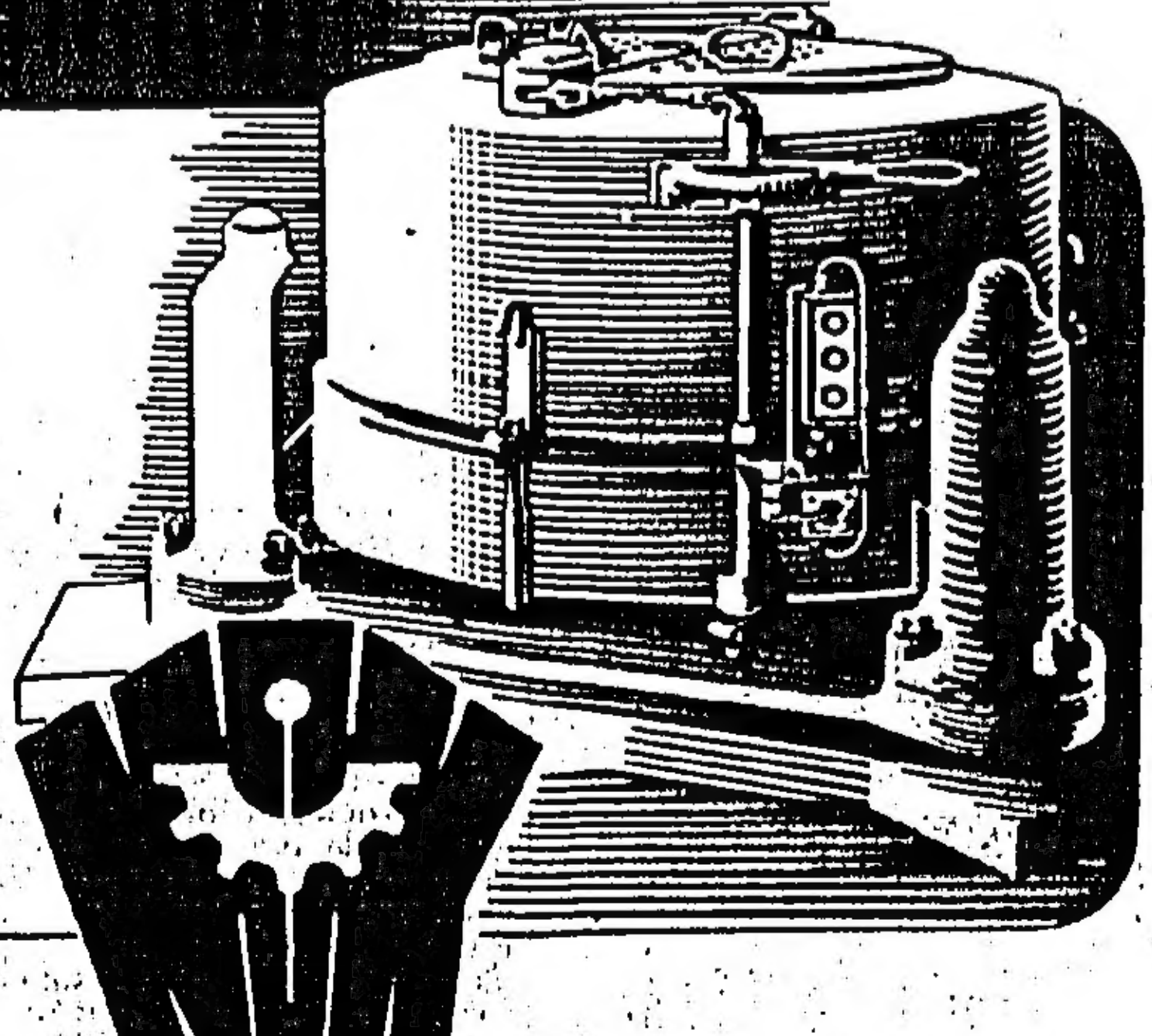
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## ON-THE-SPOT INVESTIGATION OF FORMOSA'S SECRETS

# Inside Chiang's Island Stronghold



By CHARLES FOLEY  
Foreign Editor of the Daily Express (London)

So this is it. Half-way round the world from London, three days and nights of flying from Washington, and here I am on Formosa—the embattled Pacific island of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Explosions rend the air. Across the dust-filled square troops clatter. There is the flash of weapons. The shrill sound of Free China's anthem echoes back.

The soldiers salute their flag, the fire-crackers salute the Chinese New Year, and everyone salutes the generalissimo.

Everyone, that is, except the British. Britain will still have none of Chiang Kai-shek. In spite of his bold pledge to get back on to the mainland of Red China with 555,000 men, the British will not even recognise his Government in this stronghold of Formosa.

I felt the shock in Washington when we protested against President Eisenhower's decision to let Chiang Kai-shek attack and invade Red China to his heart's content.

Americans could scarcely credit our objections. "But why?" they said. "Who's fighting who?"

### Tempers Strained

When I reached San Francisco a few days later they were cheering Chiang's naval and marine chiefs who had arrived to talk over the next stage—blockade or bomb the mainland, which should it be?

Mr Eden said it should be neither. Tempers were strained. Would Britain frustrate every move to make the Reds let go in Korea?

Shipped one critic: "Our alliance is not worth the paper it is written on if we are to have monkey wrenches thrown into all our policies."

American strategists spelled it out like this: "Formosa is the headquarters of Free China. It is about the size and shape of Southern England and lies alongside Red China just as England lies alongside the Continent."

"Chiang Kai-shek is Free China's Churchill. He has survived a Dunkirk, reorganised his army, and wants to go in for the second round. All he asks from us are the tools to finish off the job."

"Another thing, Formosa is at the centre of our great arc of defence stretching from Tokyo to Singapore. It is big enough to support Chiang's army of 555,000, small enough to be easily run near enough to China to serve as an aircraft-carrier and a base for attack. Formosa is a honey."

### More Dismay

BRITAIN'S resistance to the new idea of Chiang invading the mainland caused all the more dismay because Formosa had become merged into the American vision of a host of Asian armies lining up on the side of the Allies.

In newspapers and speeches the dream gained substance: Japan, the Philippines, Malaya, Siam, Burma, Indo-China—all should raise levies to a total which would match Red China's army of 5,000,000 without the need of further manpower from the West.

And here was Britain blocking the first stage of this dynamic policy which could transform the world situation almost overnight.

A high-ranking British diplomat gave me the opinion which he had offered to Mr John Foster Dulles, America's new Secretary of State, when the crisis was blowing up.

He told Mr Dulles: "Chiang Kai-shek is a dictator and a discredited dictator at that. He

was driven out of China because the people had enough of him. He was a loser in the China stakes."

"You people say he lost because you did not put enough money on him. That shows a lack of knowledge of horseflesh. It is not the amount of money a horse carries that decides the race—it is a quality in the horse himself. Chiang has not that quality."

"He could not win when he held the whole mainland, when he had complete command of air and sea. What makes you think he can make a comeback now when the numerical odds against him are 10 to 1?"

"His men have been lusting after Formosa for four years while the Reds have learned to fight with a spirit and ferocity that has not been seen in China for a century."

### Grave Warning

BUT it may be asked what harm is there in letting Chiang make the attempt? My friend uttered this grave warning.

"Even American resources are not inexhaustible. To equip Chiang for a day on the mainland will mean an immense diversion of effort."

"We need all the jet planes, guns, and ships that we can find to break the Korean deadlock, to rescue Indo-China and to build up our strength in Europe."

"Formosa, if Chiang has his way, will distort the whole pattern of our world strategy."

Mr Dulles listened with a wry smile. He indicated that he

considered this view of Chiang out of date. In the last four years Formosa had been transformed and Chiang's army remodelled.

It was too bad the British did not have relations with Chiang's Government so that they could see for themselves.

Another painful point. On the issue of recognising Chiang as China's lawful ruler, the English-speaking Dominions follow America, which recognises him, instead of Britain, which does not.

And so now when Britain is pressing to join the ANZUS Council for Pacific Defence, Australia and New Zealand have a further reason to believe that their strategic interests are more closely identified with the U.S. than with the Mother Country.

One day, they fear, Red China, allied to Russia, may follow Japan's wartime path across the ocean. Then a strong and friendly Formosa will be vital.

And as one flies the southern route of the Pacific it is easy to understand this determination that any future war shall be fought close to the aggressors' territory.

From Pearl Harbour, where an American fleet was sunk by the Japanese one Sunday morning, from Wake Island, that coral speck where smashed Jap tanks still stand outside the airfield; from General MacArthur's tragic fortress of Corregidor in the Philippines.

### Stranded Shark

MY last step before landing in Formosa was at Okinawa, a flowery Japanese island which the Americans are building into a Pacific Gibraltar. My next step will be Hongkong.

Between these two, stranded like a shark between pilot fish which cannot agree where to go

next, lies this great problem island of Formosa.

Mr Dulles told me that if I came with an open mind, I should make some remarkable discoveries.

I think his forecast will be fulfilled.

### TOMORROW

THE second despatch from Charles Foley—Chiang's Headline Army goes underground.

## POCKET CARTOON

By OSBERT LANCASTER



"Well, if you're still wondering why poor Cole turned out the way he did just take a look at these horrid modern, cave-paintings."

R. M. MacCOLL

emerges, somewhat shaken, from a film that has tried to shake off the cobwebs

# A pfennig's worth of menace (VINTAGE) 1920

SOON after the first World War there was shown in English cinemas a German film, made in 1920, called "The Cabinet of Doctor Caligari."

"A masterpiece!" said the experts. And it is as a masterpiece that it has been fled away.

"Caligari" has lately been dusted off again, and, eager to see how the good doctor might comport himself in modern conditions, I went the other night to attend his consulting-

room. I have, alas, to report that the years have not dealt too kindly with him.

Before I start filling you in on the story I have to explain that, because some of the principal characters are unbalanced, the settings are exceedingly odd.

They were designed by three men of fertile imagination named Walter Reimann, Walter Roehrig and Hermann Warm.

This trio of pranksters, paint-brush in hand, set out (it says in the programme note) "to create a neurotic tension demanded by the script."

The result is that if you are shown a shot of a police station interior, the desk-sergeant is perched on a stool ten feet high.

All right. Now, with Willie Hamelster cranking the camera and Robert Weiss directing, we first find two pallid figures sitting in a dismal grove. It's the Ancient Mariner technique, sure enough, and one of these characters looks for all the world as if he wants to think of a good excuse for getting away from there. But the other one, youthful Francis, played by Frederick Feher, is determined to tell him the whole long story.

So the Terror begins. Alan is murdered in his bed. Jane is spirited away by Cesare. Francis is in pursuit. Cesare drops the girl, Caligari slips off to a handy lunatic asylum. He is the Herr Direktor.

From then on it is a question of who will persuade whom about who is mad. First Francis wins, then Caligari wins.

Fade-out, with close-up of asylum director Caligari looking as kindly as formerly he seemed demonic. The tickle character who had to listen to the whole thing in the grove has meanwhile made it his exit looking—thoroughly confused. And who's to blame him?

This is Jane (Lil Dagover), and what with her flowing white robes, blankly staring eyes, and huge black eye shadowings, she resembles nothing so much as a No. 3 touring company's Lady Macbeth sleep-walking.

As she passes a capitol is lunged on to the screen. It is evidently Francis speaking, for he says: "My fiancée!"—an explanation which I regret to state, was received with titters from the audience.

With Francis still narrating (silently, of course, but with many a sweeping gesture) we flash back to see what started poor Jane on this sorry road...

In a charming little Alpine township, Francis has an idyllic friendship with young Alan (Hans von Twardowski). That both youths are madly in love with pretty Jane, a local magnate's daughter, matters not. But stay. To the local fair comes shambling a sinister figure—Dr Caligari (Werner Krauss) accompanied by his cabinet.

(For some doctors, small black bags. For others, like Caligari, huge coffin-shaped cabinets. This, you appreciate, was long before the nationalised Health Service.)

Caligari is quite a sight. He wears a tall, old top hat, peers at the world with a loathsome expression and invites the villagers to enter his booth at the fair.

Once inside, the honest burghers soon start wishing that they had spent their pennies on the Flat Lady instead. For the doctor slips open his cabinet to reveal none other than our old friend Conrad Veidt. But he is far from being the Veidt of later years.

Achtung! It is ein stringbean-like Veidt—so long, so slender! Und, dose black khat! Vero did unzer Connie pinch dem?

Doc Caligari explains that Veidt, who passes under the name of Cesare, is a somnambulist and will accurately answer any question put to him. At the house of H.M.V., Cesare flutters his luxuriant eyelashes and moves from the cabinet. At this the young Alan rushes to the stage, eager to pose the first inquiry. "Tell me," he cries, "how long have I to live?" Cesare wastes no words. "Until dawn tomorrow," he returns.

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Final programme note: "The film was never a financial success, yet in spite of this, it founded a whole school of film-making in Germany. Three hours for the doc!"

Brh! Here I go off to the Arctic

So Wicksteed thought, but...

# I SURVIVE— ONLY JUST

All our kit was ditched in the Atlantic

THERE'S a hold-up in the great Wicksteed-RAF Arctic Survival Expedition to Canada and Alaska.

It has been postponed because most of our 1,700 lb. of survival kit is now at the bottom of the Atlantic.

And if it hadn't been for some nifty surviving ourselves we'd all be down there with it.

We started off all right from Arctic England. The first stop was to be the Azores and the next one Ottawa. But 500 miles out, one of the four engines of our Hastings transport gave up and we had to head back home.

### No worries

THE time was 12.25 p.m. and the five wing-commanders, the three flight-lieutenants, the flying-officer, the warrant officer, and the four sergeants all told civilian Wicksteed there was nothing whatever to worry about.

Planes like this fly on three engines nearly as well as on four and in a couple of hours we'd be down at St Eval in Cornwall. It would then be only a question of surviving till the bar opened and all would be well.

Well, that's what they said. All the same the Wicksteed fingerlings came in for some biting, and the minutes passed so slowly it was agony to look at the Wicksteed watch.

Then at 13.45 when we were still 270 miles from land a second engine failed, and all those jokes about survival didn't seem funny any more.

The radio operator sent out the SOS, and those of us with nothing to do sat in our seats, with our thoughts.

still we were losing height. We came through the clouds and saw the unpleasant Atlantic below.

For one awful moment I thought we were on fire as well. There seemed to be a plume of smoke streaming from the port wing. But it was the petrol being jettisoned. We got rid of four tons in 2½ minutes, but still we couldn't keep height.

"Throw out the luggage and stores," came the order from up in front. There was a great roar as wind as the door in the side was opened and the boys started pushing things out.

The first case crashed into the tail and made a hole in it, so the chaps lay flat on their tummies and shoved the cases downwards to make them fall clear.

We were down to 400ft. when the order came through to loosen colours and ties and prepare for ditching.

There were 40ft. waves on the sea and the wind was 35 knots. So there wasn't much chance, and everyone knew it.

The boys were still pushing stuff out of the door. Away went the warrant officer's tool box with all the kit he had collected in 20 years with the R.A.F.

Away went the axes, the ice pick, and the cases of Arctic food. They were just going to start on our personal baggage when the order came from the pilot: "Close the door. We are maintaining height."

### Comfort

A FLIGHT-LIEUTENANT with a curling black moustache came down the gangway, and in the best traditions of the BOAC stewardesses comforted us with the news that our exact position was known, and rescue planes were out.

But we were 200 miles from the Scillies and the order to stand by for ditching still stood. I couldn't take my eyes off the beastly little escape exit through which I would have to go. It didn't seem big enough to me.



by BERNARD WICKSTEED

... here he is wearing his cold-weather hood—not needed for the moment.

The fellow in the next seat was stuffing spare socks and gloves under his Mao West and I started to do the same. Then I threw them away again because they made me so fat I was sure I'd get stuck going out.

### Happy landing

WE sweated it out for an hour like this till the cheerful flight-lieutenant with the moustache came back and told us we were only 15 minutes flying time from the Scillies and that as we used up petrol we were slowly gaining height.

One of the searching aircraft found us as we came up to the Bishops Light and stayed overhead relaying our radio signals that were weak because we flew so low.

Over the Scillies the two surviving engines were going so strong that instead of crash-landing on the tiny St Mary's airfield, as planned, we staggered on, with our escort to St Eval. We landed there in one piece at 15.22.

That's why I am now surviving comfortably in front of my fire at home instead of in Canada—or on the Atlantic.

(London Express Service)





"Now you go right ahead and enjoy your game—we'll just stroll along for the fresh air and exercise..."

## • BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

I HAVE been reading about the bitter quarrel between the Nudists and the Naturists—as the rebels call themselves—whereas a Nudist despises the wearing of clothes on any occasion whatever, the Naturists "have a philosophy." They think "clothes should be discarded at certain times and in certain places." That makes pretty well everyone a Naturist, and I don't see what is holding up the movement—or why there has to be a movement at all. By the way, the man who, after a festive night, groped up the steps of Baker Street Station, holding his boots and his clothes, and found himself facing not his bedroom door, but a detective, was neither a Nudist nor a Naturist, but a bit of a fool.

### The triumph of Suet (X)

LAKE Skufjevo was bathed in moonlight, and I could see better to row by daylight. I rubbed Suet. "This is more romantic," said Moonika. "On the moon," said Suet. "There is also me," said Moonika. "How do you mean?" "I would not trust myself in such a situation with any man but you," said Moonika, languorously. "On earth not," said Suet. Moonika cursed in fluent polish beneath her breath. "If that red-haired girl you once kissed under the mistletoe were here in my place, would you kiss her again?" she asked. "There, does there have to be?" "Well, men just don't go about at night kissing people in boats," I think you are made of stone," said Moonika, abandoning the attempt to seduce me. "I am not," said Suet, thinking this a misstatement of something unimportant, did not reply. He eyed me correctly, while the siren sang with boredom.

### What the boy saw

MY old enemy, you, got me again. Some days ago, I decided to have one of those interludes of sailing. As I hopped in my garden, like an overgrown robin after a tumble, I noticed that a small boy was observing me from the top of the gate of a neighbouring farm.

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

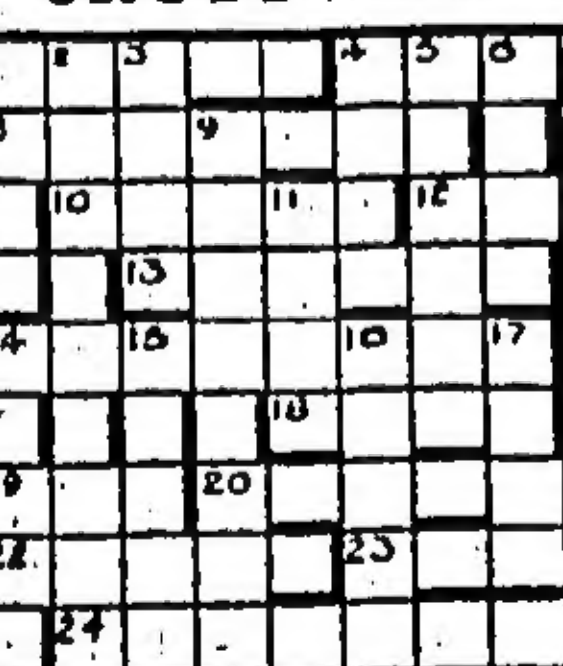
MONDAY, MARCH 2

BORN today, your natural inventiveness is peculiarly your outstanding characteristic. You have a real knack for science and mechanics and ought to be able to develop these talents to an outstanding degree. You are fond of the arts as well—especially music and should be able to play some instrument better than average. You have a great deal of money, your attention to detail would be valuable to you in a laboratory. You have a great deal of nervous energy and are able to push yourself hard when working toward a definite goal. Your action rent until you have finished the job at hand. Then, when you have completed it, you take full satisfaction. You take time out to play, then you play as hard as you work!

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20): Be alert to what is going on in a practical point of view will get the best possible results. ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20): If gadgets at home need fixing, then this is a fine time to do much-needed repair work. TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21): Bring happiness to a loved one. A birthday or anniversary gift may be strictly in order!

### CROSSWORD



Across

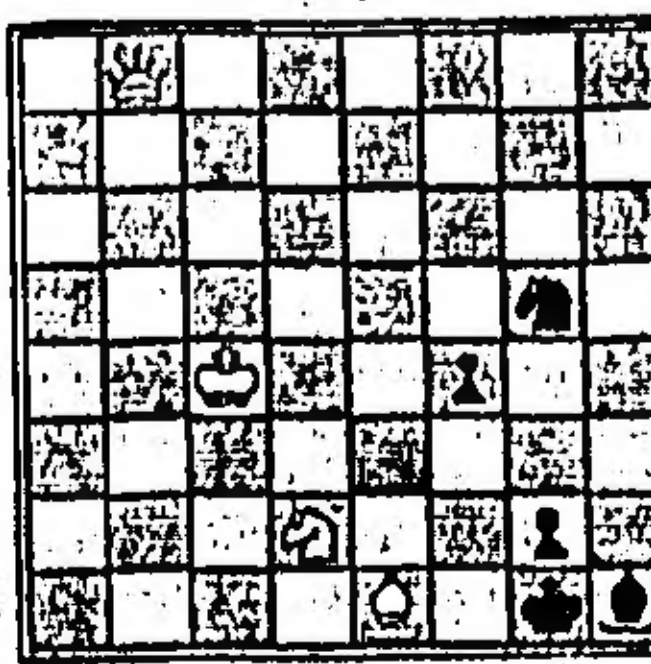
1. Out of range. (6)
2. Where to get penny beer. (4)
3. You may have to with a good puzzle. (6)
4. From Romeo and Juliet. (6)
5. How the red cat is postured. (8)
6. May hold up a hanging. (4)
7. What you get at the time may have been a down. (3)
8. Not open to anybody. (6)
9. Punishment. (4)
10. By no means savage. (4)
11. A false belief. (6)

Down

1. Tame part of the insect world. (6)
2. Disregard. (4)
3. Do 10. (4)
4. Do not wake. (6)
5. Hiding place in small airships. (6)
6. Outcome, no come out. (6)
7. Position of an evil eye. (4)
8. Dura look, quite addled. (4)
9. Wine taste. (6)
10. It's all part of the act. (8)
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### CHESS PROBLEM

By V. KOSEK  
Black, 5 pieces.



White, 4 pieces.  
White to play; mate in three.  
Solution to Saturday's problem: 1. Kt1, any; 2. Q, R, Kt, or P (dis ch), mates.

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Use of Point Count Helps Bridge Game

By OSWALD JACOBY

MONDAY is bridge lesson day, and as usual I will discuss bidding according to the point-count method so that beginners and average players can see how the experts bid. Just in case you're not familiar with the point-count, here it is: count 4 points for each ace in your hand; 3 for each king; 2 for each queen; 1 for each jack.

There are 10 points in each suit, and 40 points in the entire deck. You and your partner usually need 26 points to make a game; 33 points for a small slam; 37 for a grand slam.

In today's hand South opens the bidding and then shows the point-count method so that beginners and average players can see how the experts bid. Just in case you're not familiar with the point-count, here it is: count 4 points for each ace in your hand; 3 for each king; 2 for each queen; 1 for each jack.

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♣ K 6 2	♣ J 9 8	♣ J 9 8	♣ J 9 8
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♥ 5 4	♥ A 6	♥ A 6	♥ A 6
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Neither side vul.  
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Opening lead—♥ 5

and knows that South must have about the same amount. The combined hands are therefore sure to contain 20 points usually needed for game.

When the hand is played, South allows East to win the first trick with the jack of hearts. Declarer wins the second trick in dummy with the king of hearts, and returns the nine of diamonds at once.

The contract now stands or falls on East's defense. It plays his low diamond. South will finesse and take West's queen of diamonds. South will then take the heart suit, but cannot defeat the contract.

South wins the ace of hearts and knocks out the ace of diamonds. East cannot lead a heart, and South is therefore able to win two hearts, three diamonds, four clubs, and a spade.

East can defeat the contract by hoping up with the ace of diamonds the first time that suit is led. He can then return his last heart, thus establishing his partner's suit. West will get the lead with the queen of diamonds time and time again, thus setting the contract.

### TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question last week. You, South, hold: Spades: K-2-3-4, Hearts: 3-2, Diamonds: Q-4, Clubs: K-J-8. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

### DUMB BELLS



THE BABY SWALLOWED A DUMB BELL. NO! INDEED!

By MAX TRELL

### Intelligence Test

Four horsemen

Antrobis, Daydream, and Willem each named his favourite horse after one of the other three. To test the respective merits of these animals, they staged a race in which each rode one of the horses: neither his own, nor the one named after him.

Antrobis's horse was ridden by Nevermore; the horse Nevermore was ridden by Willem; the horse Willem was ridden by the name-sake of the horse ridden by Daydream.

What is the name of the horse that was ridden by the name-sake of Antrobis's horse?

(Solution on Page 10)

## A DASH OF FRAGRANCE

By HELEN FOLLETT

There's nothing like a dash of fragrance to make a girl feel tip-top, ready to swing the world by its tail. Maybe she passes by you at the party. You get a sniff of gardenia, or maybe lily of the valley or a lovely bouquet. So, she shares her pleasure with you. Every nose that comes in contact with a subtle, delicious perfume responds. There is a deep intake of breath; you draw the aroma into your lungs.

Isn't it grand that it was discovered that the oils of the flowers of the earth could be bottled? That they can come to one in the form of sachets to place between the undies in the dresser drawer, in the glove and handkerchief boxes? Inexpensive too, these precious toiletries.

### Old Fashioned Fragrance

Scents have gone quaintly old-fashioned. Some, like lilac, rose and hyacinth, are as old-timey as the photograph album or the hand-painted honey jar left to you by your old Aunt Emily. They are less exotic than the blends that have been popular in the past years.

Learn to conserve your perflumes. See that stoppers are tightly closed. Have "two atomizers," one for perfume, the other for toilet water. Spray the toilet water over your neck, arms and shoulders after your bath.

### Purse Perfumes

Perfume sticks are convenient. Tuck one in your purse and you can add to what you used in the morning, as you trail through the day's activities. Nice when traveling; no chance of spillage.

We hear that certain perfumes should be used with frocks of certain colours. Sounds very elegant, but not very practical if one has to keep a weather eye on the beauty budget. If you have a perfume that excites you, stick to it. Your whole wardrobe will be fragrant if you do.

### Household Hints

Save that old pair of scissors for use in the kitchen. It's the most convenient tool for cutting celery, parsley, and for removing the strings that bind meat roast during cooking.

New luggage and other leather goods should be treated to a coat of wax before they are used. Leather, plastic or composition items may all be waxed to give them a protective coating and help maintain their finish.

Lemon juice or vinegar will remove rust stains formed on porcelain as a result of leaking faucets.

### Enchanting, but—

THERE is one thing, though—it is not easy to find an elegant hat for the English in

# WOMANSENSE

FRESH FEMININE FLATTERING FRENCH

## I adopt a Hat—

DRUSILLA BEYFUS

reporting

PARIS.—I found it here—the hat that belongs in Britain. It is waiting to be taken home, copied, and set on the head it was made for, the Englishwoman's.

It bears the Three Graces so often absent in British millinery. It is FRESH. It is FLATTERING. It is FEMININE.

In short—it is what the British hatmakers seldom seem to find. They come to Paris, they look—and they go back with a hat. But not very often one like this.

It is not a beanie, a beret, or a boater. It is not made in last year's material with last year's trimmings.

It is fresh because of the material, petals of white glazed chiné.

It shows one of the new lines here—flat on top, with a smack of a boy's cap about the brim.

It is flattering because the two little wings in the front give an Englishwoman's face breadth just where she needs it. It has a kindly, curved brim and can be worn with a softening line veil.

### Creation

BUT for a moment the urge of the French to make a new mad hat has cooled and created a classic form for the English face.

Best of all it is a proposition for a milliner who makes for the big department stores (and is being in Paris). The hat obeys the laws according to the British book of sales:

- (1) It sits firmly on the back of the head.
  - (2) It is trimmed.
  - (3) It is in white—a becoming shade for the grey-blue eyes of the mass-market.
- So, please, milliners, don't say the material is hard to get—make it in straw.

Don't say the wings are too smart for your customers—make it without wings for some, and with for the over-thirties.

Don't say it won't suit a lot of people—because I know, I spent a week trying it out.

### An urchin air

At another salon there were pudding shapes with a snood at the back. And at the boosted new hatman, a new line, narrow and peaked with an urchin air. Good for the

### A hat for work

AND what was the "creation" they had in mind for the

### Englishwoman? A beautiful big black hat for a beautiful woman to wear on a beautiful day at Ascot.

"But," I said, "the English need a pretty hat to wear to work." The saleswoman put on a couple she thought might do, pulling each one on at a chic angle over smooth, blued hair. But of course the English won't wear their hair like that.

"Ah, the *coiffure Anglaise*! How well they know it!"

Madame demonstrated she pulled her hair forward into a loose wave on her forehead with a few wispy curls over her cheeks. In a flash she looked like somebody out of the Tube to Tooting, a comfortable body on her way to suburbia.

Shrieks of laughter from the millinettes. Superior smiles from the other saleswomen. Cries of "Ce n'est pas possible!" from the model girls. And—STILL NO HAT.

I tried the milliner to Mme. Mayer, wife of the Premier of France, the Duchess of Argyll, the Begum Aga Khan, and Rita Hayworth.

I said my piece about the kind of hat you see too much of in England.

### The buyer's view

BUT Bournemouth was listening. A woman buyer from there turned round in a fury. "Don't forget that when you pick your hat for your story," she said, "most of us have to chins and wear glasses."

Well, how about it, myopic and chinless ones?

(London Express Service)

### PARIS CHIC

Unhappy Squirrel Squirrel was sitting at the foot of his tree.

set. And when the eggs were laid and the young birds hatched out, there was more noise than ever. Such twittering and squawking and calling, such hopping and flitting and falling and flying again.

"And then," said Squirrel, "just when I thought the noise would never stop, a curious thing happened. The birds began to fly away—the old ones, the young ones, and all their friends and neighbours. The Caterpillars turned into Butterflies and fluttered off. The Wasps and all the other insects disappeared or went quietly to sleep. And at last I was happy, for now at last my tree was quiet again."

"But—dear me—now that my tree is quiet, I don't like it. No! I'm lonely. I miss the noise, I never, never, should have complained. Oh, if only I could apologise for my bad temper! If only they would all come back! Now cheerful it would be again!"

And Squirrel Squirrel sighed once more. "I hope," he said, "they all come back next summer! I'll never complain again!"

A tailor-made by Pierre

Clarence in grey-belted "chinos" material, Yoke with a few stitches on the jacket.

Rupert doesn't like to see Edward so disappointed after he has paid for their fun. "I've had a sudden idea," he calls. "Those broken pieces will be just what I want. Will you give them to me? And you take my whole costume."

Then you can have the drink that you like. Come on Bill, help me carry these pieces. And, leaving Edward pleased but puzzled, the other two hurry away. "What of your idea?" asks Bill. "I'm packed, so!"

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# PANDAS HIT DEVASTATING FORM TO TOPPLE SOUTH CHINA 5-2

By "KEYSTONE"

The Panda Bearcats flashed an hour-long glimpse of their devastating form of yesteryear and further jeopardised South China's prospects for the Senior "A" Pennant with a rousing 5-2 victory yesterday.

In yesterday's morning game, the lowly Chinese Athletics sprang a surprise 8-6 win on the unwilling Madcaps, while the Warriors took a 9-2 lacing from a new US Navy squad in the nightcap.

In the early breakfast session, the Panda girls gave their rivals of South China another chance at the Junior title by dropping a close 5-4 decision in the final game of the series.

The two teams are now tied with one loss each in four stars and a single-game play-off for the Ladies' Trophy. The Panda girls, who were the final holder of the title.

## SCORE SETTLED

Senior "B" Division high noon activities saw Bill Silva's nippy Delawareans settling a long-standing score with their Blackhawk rivals to the tune of 7-2.

The Hawks' fourth and latest defeat automatically eliminated them from the Division Championship, and this talented team now has to rest content to share third place with the Delaware tribe.

At the far diamond, the Wildfires gave up their slow-smoldering ballplay to an all-consuming burst of flame to seal all the fight out of the hapless Pandas "B", the final score standing at 13-1.

In a lack-lustre game that saw practically all the hit scoring concentrated in the first three innings, Frank Poon's Chinese Athletics laboriously inched themselves up a few paces from the bottom of the Major League by accounting for Buster Holland's Madcaps.

Lead-off man Frankie Vas drew a walk and hit second, third and home plate again in rapid succession when CAA catcher K. K. Sit had trouble holding down his battery-mate's bouncing deliveries.

Hurrier "Ping" Lam faced a total of ten enemy batters in the long first inning, issuing four bases on balls and conceding two hits. The Madcaps were finally retired only after they had chucked up a four-run lead.

Though they could hardly have realised it then, the first was to prove to be the only run-profitable inning for the Caps, as the Athletics settled down to effective if erratic ball while "Ping" Lam worked over the batters cautiously and allowed only one additional hit in the following five frames.

The Athletics bunched four hits in the first and three in the second, in time to tally seven, times and overtake the opposition.

Paul Tiu fled out to shortstop for the initial down, then Y. Z. Young bunted safely, stole second and was brought in by Peter Ho's line-drive to left. L.P. Lam and Tony Kwok also hit safely. K. K. Sit fanned for the second down, and Kwok was erased at the plate on a fielder's choice to end the innings.

Having drawn level with the Caps after their first inning rally, Frank Poon's boys jumped on veteran hurrier Silva-Netto for three more hits, a brace of bunts and a two-run homer by pitcher L. P. Lam to forge into the lead.

Second baseman K. K. Shum brought across an insurance run in the third stanza when he was pushed across the rubber by two successive sacrifices after walking and stealing down to the midway station.

The Athletics were held hitless and scoreless for their last three innings, with only one runner getting on base through an infield error.

The Caps threatened to score in the fifth frame which opened with a walk to old-timer Rene Sequiera. A sacrifice and a slip-up by the CAA catcher parked Sequiera expectantly on the scoring perch at third, with only one out. However, Ollie

Vas fled out and hind-sneaker Barros went down tamely on an infield cut to squelch the threat.

**BROKE IN AGAIN**

The Madcaps finally managed to break into the scoring column again in the seventh, when L. P. Lam dug himself a hole again by issuing three walks. Pete McKee drew a base on four bad pitches, but Ollie Vas whiffed for the first out. Mike Sanders and A. Barros walked to all the bases, with only one down.

Kelly Silva-Netto rapped a hopper to short which resulted in an out at first and one run in. Frankie Vas poked the ball to the same spot and Seldon Ma pulled his first baseman off the sack with a wide throw to allow another runner across the plate. With the tying runs on second and third, shortstop Bob Nunn, failed to come up with the Sunday punch, grounding to third for the last out to end the ball game.

Leading pitcher Kelly Silva-Netto was nicked for seven hits, but allowed only four free bases. Winning pitcher L.P. Lam gave out only three scattered bingles, but almost threw the game by issuing eleven hits to first.

He undid some of the damage with two solid hits in three trips to the plate, one of which was a two-run homer in the second inning.

Team-mate Y.Z. Young picked up two useful hits by dumping a couple of unexpected bunts to spare batting honours. The only Caps players to connect safely were Frankie Vas, Pete McKee and former batting-listist Rene Sequiera.

**AS EXPECTED**

The Pandas-South China tilt turned out to be every inch of the tough scrap that was expected. The Nam Wah squad made their bid early with three successive hits after one out by firstsacker C. M. Tsang, K. T. Leung and C. C. Poon.

Tsang crossed the plate on a wild pitch, and Leung scored on Poon's drive to left. Poon then fumbled out for leaving first before the pitch in an attempted steal to the keystone sack, and Y. K. Chan grounded to Y. S. Liang at third for the last out of the inning.

The Pandas bounced back with a run of their own in their turn at the dish. Floated Tony Chang poked the ball over second and was advanced by a sacrifice bunt. Veteran Y. S. Liang came up with a slashing drive through the pitcher's box to put Chung on third while he himself landed safely on second.

Hetty C. Y. Liang lifted a long fly to centerfield to score the runner on. Chung followed to catch. Centerfielder P. H. Lee hauled down another towering fly to end the Pandas' inning.

Coming round to the head of their batting order again in the third inning, the Panda Bearcats unleashed their claws in an all-out effort.

**BUNGLED IT**

Versatile Ollie Herick slapped one towards shortstop after one out, and "Rabbit" Leung bungled it to put a runner on base. Y. S. Liang sent a tearing drive through third to advance Herick. Clean-up man C. Y. Lu amazed all present by dropping a surprise bunt which pushed the runners to second and third, but also resulted in the second out at first.

Shortstop Wally Ma was given an intentional walk to set up a potential force-out at any base. South China's lowball artist P. C. Wong then played for the fly-out by lobbing in shoulder-high bloopers, and Ox-shouldered centerfielder S. S. Hsu obliged by lifting a humpback fly to left centre as a chorus of groans arose from the Panda support.

Leftfielder L. C. Poon allowed the ball to bounce right out of his glove for a game-costing error which allowed two Pandas runs across the plate.

Wally Ma cleared the dish to mark up the third run when hind-sneaker S. C. Wong failed to match one of the pitcher's low deliveries.

**LETHAL PITCHING**

South China managed to pick up another bunt hit through firstsacker C. M. Tsang in the third canto, but two strike-outs in a row reduced the effort to nil. For the remaining four innings, the Nam Wah outfit was held hitless and scoreless by lethal pitching and polished fielding.

P. H. Lee got on first when his high-hopping grounder was taken at the bad bounce by shortstop Wally Ma for the Pandas' sole fielding error of the game.

Lee stole second by sliding under a high throw across the diamond, but was neatly checked out at the hot corner when he stretched his luck too far with another attempted steal.

C. M. Tsang walked, but was called out for leaving his base too soon, and ace Chinese hurler Jackie Wei dusted off third-but K. T. Leung with three sizzling strikes to end the frame.

The Nam Wah had just could not lay a solid bat on twirler Wei's untouchable slants, going down in rapid one-two-three order in their last time at bat. The fifth and sixth hitters both went down on identical slow-hop grounders to short, and W. K. Kan lofted a twisting foul-fly over third which Wally Ma gloved on the dead run to end the game.

Tagged with the loss, P. C. Wong was touched for five solid hits and allowed two walks. Playing above for the outfield flies, Nam Wah's strategy almost paid off, with no less than eight Panda batters going down on long flies.

But one solitary bobbie by the leftfield guardian gave the Bears three big runs in the third, which led they never relinquished. South China's aggressive total of seven strike-outs. Allowing only one scratchy bunt in addition to the three hits bunched by Nam Wah in the initial frame, Jackie Wei exhibited his complete repertoire of blazing fast-balls and wide-swinging curves to handcuff the unbelieving Nam Wah batters for the last six innings of the game. Wei was magnificently backed up by near-perfect fielding and some fine clutch-hitting by well-experienced third-sacker Y. S. Liang.

Fielding a weak line-up including several utility men, the Pandas' ball machine ground its way to a full, jerky stop by dropping a lop-sided 9-2 decision to the US Navy.

Starting pitcher Google Marques' last five innings, during which time the Navy boys bludgeoned his slow risers for five ringing baseblows, including two homers by Navy third baseman Williams and a third round-tripper off the bat of firstsacker Stiel.

The Warriors fell hors de combat right from the first inning when a couple of walks and two successive homers scored four Navy runs and knocked all the fight out of them. The gobs picked up four hits in the fifth and sixth innings, while the Warriors made reply only twice, with a run through Hank Kileen's three-base hit in the first and another when Ray Aldaguer's loft to rightfield was dropped.

**WINDMILLED**

Navy slabster Willingham windmilled his way to eight impressive fan-outs against heavy-hitting Warriors and allowed a total of only four scattered hits and an equal number of walks. Hurrier Willingham contributed further to his team's cause with two hits in three tries.

Backstop-baller Google Marques gave up five free bases in an equal number of innings. After the third Navy home-run he called it quits and was replaced on the mound by reliever Joey Franco who was rapped for two hits while giving out three walks.

The Warriors, once considered a good bet for this season's Pennant, have been finally and irrevocably eliminated from the trophy by this, their sixth defeat.

In beating one of the top teams in the Senior League, the new Navy squad from the USS ORC has made a most auspicious start on the local diamond. Blessed with a wealth of power-hitters and a pitching staff apparently fitted to overloading the Orc boys have a better than even chance to keep a clean record for the rest of their games schedule this season and enter the Summer League as major contenders for that Championship.

**THE RESULTS**

Ladies' Junior Series

South China 5 Pandas 4

Senior "B" Division

Delaware 7 Blackhaws 2

Wildfires 13 Pandas 1

Senior "A" Division

CAA 8 Madcaps 6

Pandas 5 South China 2

Warriors 2 U.S. Navy 9

## CHELSEA v. BIRMINGHAM CITY



Bentley and McNicol (Chelsea) go up to head the ball in the Birmingham goalmouth in the FA Cup fifth round match which Birmingham won 4-0. Chelsea met Birmingham after eliminating West Bromwich Albion in the third re-play on the preceding Wednesday and three days later lost their fifth round tie at home.

## HOME SOCCER REVIEW

# Blackpool Well Deserved Their 2-1 Cup Victory Over Arsenal

London, Feb. 28.

Arsenal, seven to four favourites, were knocked out of the English Football Association Cup competition by Blackpool in the sixth round today.

Playing on their own ground before a crowd of nearly 70,000 who paid £10,946 for admission, Arsenal were beaten by two goals to one after a goalless first half.

Little inside-right Ernie Taylor gave Blackpool the lead 13 minutes from time. Almost immediately, his opposite number, Jimmy Logie, equalised but two minutes later Allan Brown at inside-left hit the winner for Blackpool, who well deserved their great victory.

Blackpool were joined in the semi-finals by another First Division side—Bolton Wanderers, and Everton from the Second Division.

Bolton ended the gallant run of Gateshead, the Third Division North "giant killers" of the competition by winning by the only goal of the match.

Everton won by a similar margin on the ground of their First League opponents, Aston Villa.

## Man Imprisoned For Stealing Golf Ball Through Dog

St Andrew's, Mar. 1. Scottish golfers who take their dogs with them on the famous St. Andrew's Golf Course will in future have to be careful that they do not pick up balls on the fairway.

In a Scottish court this week a man was fined 30 days when he was found guilty of "stealing a golf ball through the agency of his dog."

Mr. Thomas A. Blair said today that he would appeal against the sentence. He told the court he trained his dog to look for golf balls which had been lost, and that he searched only in the rough between 8 p.m. and 8 a.m., which was legitimate.

The dog was never allowed to take a ball from the fairway, he added. But he was at a loss to explain what happened when a golfer hit a drive from the 18th tee on the old course.

A witness said he saw Blair's dog on the fairway—pick up the ball before it had stopped and then return it to his owner.

—Reuter.



Birmingham City and Tottenham Hotspur battled to a one-one draw and must meet again on Wednesday next.

**BROWN WAS SUPERB**

Blackpool's superiority at half-back was a big factor in their win over Arsenal but Brown in the attack was superb. However, in cracking in the winning goal, he collided with the goalkeeper and was carried off with a fractured tibia.

Allan Brown, the Scottish international who broke his left leg when scoring the goal which enabled Blackpool to beat Arsenal in the Football Association cup competition yesterday, will be out of football for at least six months.

Cartilage trouble kept Brown out of Blackpool's team in the 1951 cup final.

Gateshead upset the usually slick Bolton side by their tremendous enthusiasm and fearless tackling. It was not until 13 minutes after the interval that Bolton scored through a fine header by England international centre-forward Nat Lofthouse. But that was the only occasion the solid Gateshead defence was caught out.

A second-half goal by centre-forward Hilsdon put Everton in the next round.

Birmingham, playing at home, led Tottenham by a first half-goal by left-winger Wardie but 12 minutes from time inside-right Lee Pennell crashed home an equaliser for the Londoners.

Positions at the top of the four English Leagues remained unchanged.—Reuter.

**LEAGUE STANDINGS**

London, Mar. 1.

The Football League standings after yesterday's games are as follows:

Division I	P	W	D	L	Pts
Burnley N.E.	22	10	0	12	20
Wolves	22	10	0	12	20
West Bromwich	22	10	0	12	20
Charlton	22	10	0	12	20
Arsenal	22	10	0	12	20
Sunderland	22	10	0	12	20

**Division II**

P	W	D	L	Pts
Blackpool	20	13	7	31
Manchester U.	20	13	7	31
Tottenham	20	13	7	31
Liverpool	20	13	7	31
Sheff. W.	20	13	7	31
Bolton	20	13	7	31
Portsmouth	20	13	7	31
Newcastle	20	13	7	31
Aston Villa	20	13	7	31
Sheff. U.	20	13	7	31
Blackburn	20	13	7	31
Derby	20	13	7	31

**Division III (Southern)**

P	W	D	L	Pts
Bristol R.	22	10	0	20
Bristol C.	22	10	0	20
Northampton	22	10	0	20
Reading	22	10	0	20
Wrexham	22	10	0	20
Wolves	22	10	0	20
Southampton	22	10	0	20
Exeter	22	10	0	20
Yeovil	22	10	0	20
Truro	22	10	0	20
Swansea	22	10	0	20
Bury	22	10	0	20
Southampton	22	10	0	20
Barnley	22	10	0	20

**Division III (Northern)**

P	W	D	L	Pts
Oldham	22	10	0	20
Grimsby	22	10	0	20
Port Vale	22	10	0	20
Wrexham	22	10	0	20
Wolves	22	10	0	20
Southampton	22	10	0	20
Exeter	22	10	0	20
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—Reuter.

# Football Association Cracks Down On Ticket Scalpers

London, Mar. 1.

The Football Association has cracked down on ticket scalpers and also players concerned in the FA Cup Final at Wembley Stadium on May 2, it was disclosed in a recent memorandum.

A committee, after considering the allocation of tickets, announced that the number of tickets allotted to players of the clubs in the final will be limited for the first time in the history of the competition. Previously it was left to the clubs to allot tickets to the players.

This situation resulted in any club or person proved to have sold their ticket at an enhanced price would be debarred from receiving a ticket for at least five years.

Instead of each receiving a big batch of tickets, the committee ruled that the first team players (up to 15 in number) of clubs in the final be allowed to purchase from their clubs not more than 12 tickets each for members of their families and personal friends. Other members of the club will be allowed a maximum of four tickets each.

**COUNTERFOILS WANTED**

In an effort to beat the scalpers the Association requests that anyone buying a ticket over the stipulated price should forward the counterfoil to them so that appropriate action can be taken against the seller.

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"SHENKING"	Keelung	3 p.m. 11th Mar.
"HUNAN"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 13th Mar.
"YUNNAN"	Shanghai	10 a.m. 15th Mar.
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"POYANG"	Sibu	5th Mar.
"HANYANG"	Kobe	7th Mar.
"FENGTIEN"	Singapore	7th Mar.
"YOHOW"	Kobe	8th Mar.
"SHENKING"	Keelung	7 a.m. 9th Mar.
"YUNNAN"	Shanghai	10th Mar.

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"CHANGTE"	Australia & Manila	20th Mar.
"TAIPING"	Japan	22nd Mar.

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G. "PATROCLUS"	In Port, H.K. Wharf
G. "ALCINOUS"	do
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P. D. A. CHUILL, Acting Commissioner of Inland Revenue.  
2nd February, 1953.

## NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF JOHN CAMPBELL MAXLEY late of Route Boleson Shanghai Republic of China formerly care of Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong. Gentleman, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 55 (1) of the Probate and Administration Ordinance Chapter 10, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above Estate to the 24th day of March, 1953.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 1953.

DEACONS, Solicitors & Notaries Hong Kong.

## OFFICIAL NOTICE

Proposal to change a Ship's name.

WE CHING YAM TING and LEONG AH KWEE both of Rooms Nos. 418/420 Alexandra Building, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, hereby give notice that in consequence of a change of ownership, we have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Lighter "INDO-CHINA, O XXIV" of HONG KONG REGISTRY Official Number 155860, Gross tonnage 293.54 tons, Register tonnage 293.54 tons, formerly owned by The Indo-China Steam Navigation Company Limited of Hong Kong for permission to change her name to "PACIFIC ENTERPRISE" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by us the said Ching Yam Ting and Leong Ah Kwee as Joint Owners.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at HONG KONG the 2nd day of March, 1953.

(Sd.) CHING YAM TING and LEONG AH KWEE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

MAERSK LINE  
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Arrived 2nd March, 1953.

Damaged cargo on this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Godown at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday 5th March and Friday 6th March, 1953, and consignees representatives are requested to be present during survey.

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## Will Approve Safe Conduct

Taipei, Mar. 1.

The Nationalists intend to approve, on humanitarian grounds, a formal request from Tokyo that safe conduct be granted to Japanese reparations ships to be sent to Red China to bring back an estimated 30,000 Japanese nationals.

Approval has already been decided in principle, and only awaits President Chiang Kai-shek's concurrence, which is assured.

Japan's request, made on February 20, shows respect for China's port closure policy, under which no ships are allowed to enter or leave mainland ports without previous approval from Taipei.

Japan is among the 40 countries which regard the administration here as the legitimate government of China. — Associated Press.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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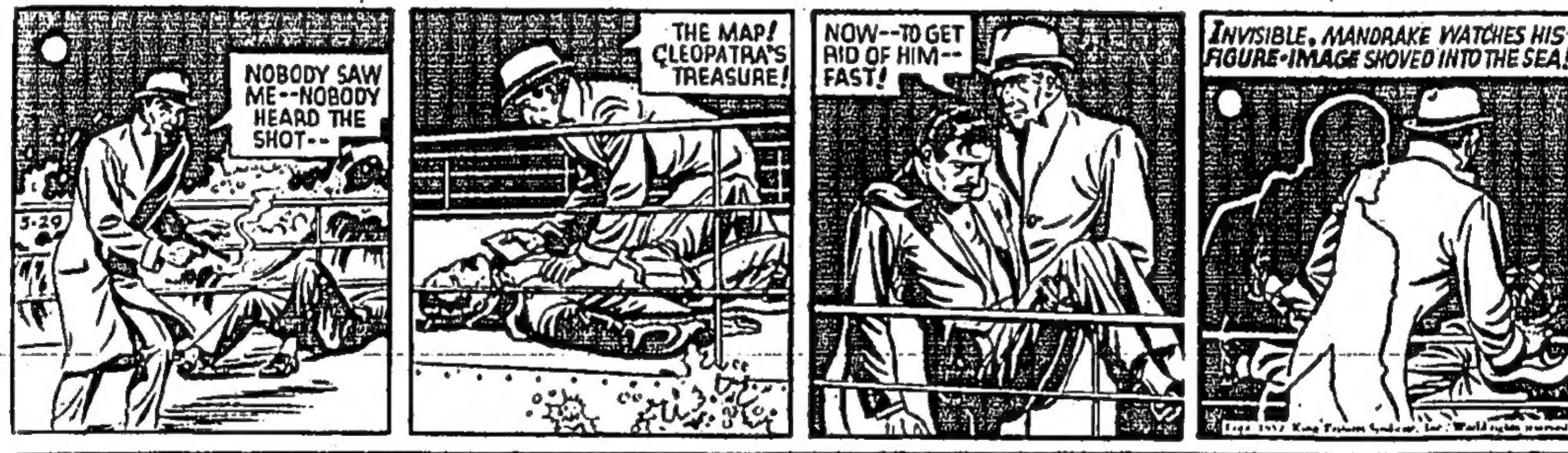
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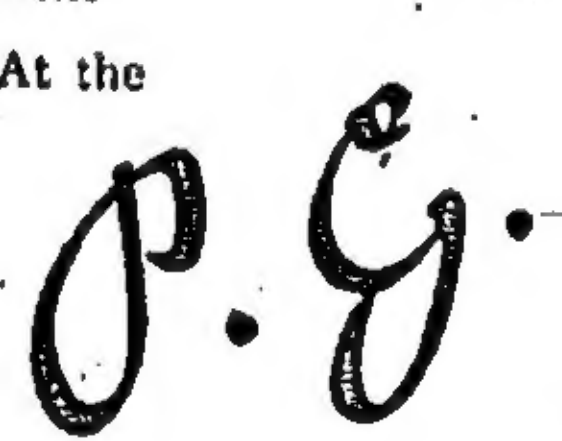


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## DEFENCE SPENDING INCREASED

United Nations, Mar. 1.  
Inflationary price rises and higher defence budgets caused governments all over the world to expend more money than last year, the United Nations statistical year book disclosed today.

Defence spending in the United States, Canada and Western European countries for 1952 ranged upward from 20 per cent to 100 per cent above the levels established in 1951. Although higher than last year's most defence budgets fall short of the original estimates.

Russia budgeted a little more than 37 per cent additional for defence outlays in 1952 than in 1950, the survey said. Data on 1951 defence expenditures in Russia were not available.

The year book said in most Western European countries and in North America increased defence spending was accompanied by reductions in non-defence capital expenditures. It said substantial reductions also were made in consumer subsidies.

The Union of South Africa also spent more money for defence last year but their defence outlays represented a lower proportion of the total budget than those of Western Europe.

Budget information was not available from Communist China or from Chiang Kai-shek's government on Formosa but the United Nations report said sharp increases in defence spending appear to have occurred in Burma, the Philippines, Malaya, Thailand and Ceylon.

The increased defence outlays in India and Pakistan merely reflected the rise in prices, the year book said with expenditure on the whole remaining at the relatively high level of the post-war years. The same situation appeared to obtain in the Middle East and Latin America.—United Press.

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## Industry Output Higher

Statistics Issued By The UN

United Nations, Mar. 1. World industrial production in 1951 was twice as high in 1929, and about 75 per cent higher than in the 1937 pre-war year, according to the United Nations Statistical Year Book for 1952 published today.

The year book was prepared in co-operation with 100 national statistical offices. United Nations specialised agencies, and other inter-governmental bodies.

The statistics showed that between 1929 and 1951, production in Europe rose by 45 per cent. In the Soviet Union it rose by 70 per cent, while United States industrial production advanced 15 per cent over the high level reached in 1929.

Compared with 1929, industrial production in 1951 was 10 times greater in Russia, more than 100 per cent in the United States, 56 per cent in the Soviet Union, 63 per cent in Europe, and 108 per cent in the world as a whole.

### SOVIET OUTPUT

The Soviet Union's production amounted to 44,700,000 metric tons in 1951, 129,000,000 in 1950, and had been estimated by the Economic Commission for Europe at 284,000,000 tons in 1951.

Compared with 1937, coal output in 1951 was up by 16 per cent in the United States, which then accounted for over 40 per cent of the world (excluding the Soviet Union and China) total. It was up 126 per cent in Poland, 72 per cent in South Africa, 46 per cent in Australia, 37 per cent in India, 19 per cent in France, and 21 per cent in the U.S.S.R.

On the other hand, the 1951 output of the United Kingdom—the world's third largest producer—was seven per cent below 1937, and Belgium, Japan and the Netherlands also produced less coal in 1951 than in 1937.

### PETROLEUM GAINS

Coal was still the world's principal source of energy, the year book said, though it had been steadily giving ground to the rapidly expanding petroleum and hydro-electric energy industries.

The world (excluding the Soviet Union) production of crude petroleum in 1951 was put at 550,000,000 metric tons against 250,000,000 in 1937, an increase of 115 per cent over 1937, and 246 per cent over 1932.

The Soviet Union produced 21,400,000 metric tons in 1952, 30,500,000 in 1951, and is estimated by the Economic Commission for Europe to have produced 42,300,000 in 1951.

Crude petroleum production in 1951 showed increases over pre-war (1937) of 1,532 per cent in Canada, 1,264 per cent in Egypt, 524 per cent in British Borneo, 220 per cent in Venezuela, over 90 per cent in British Columbia and Iraq, 73 per cent in the United States, 63 per cent in Mexico and 42 per cent in Bahrain, Persian Gulf, the year book said.—Reuter.

## BICYCLE MARKET RACKET

Singapore, Mar. 1. British bicycles, which have been enjoying an exclusive market in Malaya, face the possibility of losing this pre-dominant position owing to a Malaya-wide racket.

The Sunday Times reports that unscrupulous cycle dealers are substituting cheap Japanese and German parts for British parts and selling the bicycles as 100 per cent British.

The parts substituted are seats, rims, chain wheels, pedals, hubs and spokes. The genuine British parts, illegally gathered, are then sold as spares.

Bona fide dealers in British cycles believe the practice will eventually bring a bid name to British bicycles.

There are nearly 2,000,000 bicycles on Malayan roads, nearly all of them British.—Associated Press.

Exchange Rates  
Business was done in the local financial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1) ..... 0.0225  
Starting rate (per \$1) ..... 0.0225  
Indonesian rupiah (per 100) ..... 22.50  
Siam dollar (per 100) ..... 22.50  
Singapore (Straits) ..... 18.25  
712 pence (per 100) ..... 12.00

# TAX RELIEF PROPOSALS

Recommendations Made By Royal Commission

## Removing Worst Injustices Of United Kingdom System

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Mar. 1.

The recommendations made by the Royal Commission on the taxation of profits and income, which seek to remove some of the worst injustices of the present United Kingdom system of taxing profits earned overseas by British companies, will no doubt be welcomed in countries that wish to attract British capital as warmly as they have been by businessmen here.

It was last August that the Commission received a letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr R. A. Butler, expressing the Government's concern over a particular difficulty caused by the present basis of taxation of U.K. companies that carry on business abroad.

The proposal had been made, the Commission stated, that where Colonial territories give special relief from tax to now and developing concerns similar relief should be given from United Kingdom taxation.

The Chancellor indicated in his letter that he considered this a matter of "importance and urgency" and asked the Commission to produce a special interim report on the matter.

The Government no doubt referred this question to the Commission in order to forestall criticism at the then forthcoming Commonwealth Economic Conference of the present system of U.K. taxation which affects British companies operating in developing countries.

Certain Colonial territories, notably the West Indies and West Africa, grant special tax relief to so-called "pioneer industries" in an effort to attract overseas development capital.

But this relief has been entirely nullified as far as British companies are concerned because their profits have still been liable to taxation at the full rate in the United Kingdom.

In effect, therefore, the concessions made by Colonial governments are benefiting not the companies themselves but the British Exchequer.

When the Colonies had enacted legislation of this sort and then discovered that its object was defeated by the effect of the United Kingdom taxation, it was understandable, the Commission felt, that there had been "considerable local feeling" and that protests had been made in Britain.

The Commission pointed out that the need to further the economic development of Commonwealth countries had been accepted by the British Government.

It appeared impossible, therefore, to support a feature of the United Kingdom tax system that seemed plainly to impede such development.

Wise or not, "pioneer industries" concessions were being resorted to in Commonwealth countries where overseas capital was needed.

Failure by the United Kingdom to adjust its tax system so as to allow British concerns to get the effective advantage of them would lead "not only to discrimination against these concerns... but would cause general damage to the United Kingdom in its relations within and without the Commonwealth for more serious than any loss of revenue that would arise from such an adjustment."

It might be thought, therefore, that agreements should be entered into without Government and the British Government of the countries concerned under which the amount of tax spared to United Kingdom companies by virtue of concessions granted to them as "pioneer industries" should also be exempt from United Kingdom taxation.

Any relief granted in this way, however, should not, in the Commission's view, be passed on to shareholders when profits were distributed.

But, in stating this view, the Commission was forced to admit that though the relief is directed to the assistance of the individual who is asked to find the money is not allowed to benefit by it.

The Commission decided to make no recommendation on this point until it reviews the whole question of taxing corporate profits and their distribution to shareholders.

At the Chancellor's request other matters relating to taxation in the United Kingdom of British companies' overseas profits were dealt with in the Commission's interim report.

Some exceptions. One of these was the question of double taxation relief. Though the United Kingdom Government has concluded agreements with many other countries, which ensure that British companies operating overseas are not called upon to pay the full rate of tax on their profits both here and in the country where they were actually earned, cases remain where no such agreements are in force.

Even within the Commonwealth no double taxation agreements exist between Britain, on

the one hand, and either Pakistan or India, on the other.

Where bilateral agreements are in force the tax paid by United Kingdom companies in the overseas country concerned is allowable as a credit against the United Kingdom tax on the same profit.

But in cases where agreements have not been signed the United Kingdom Government allows only 50 per cent relief in respect of overseas tax on profits from foreign countries and 75 per cent on profits earned in the Commonwealth.

The Commission now recommends that all overseas profits should be treated alike for taxation purposes whether double taxation agreements have been signed or not.

THE REASON. Its third recommendation concerns taxation of profits that cannot be taken out of the country where they were earned.

It suggests that United Kingdom companies should have the option of excluding from assessment such part of their overseas profits as they can show to be "unremittable" by virtue of local currency restrictions.

These profits would be brought into assessment when remittance again became possible or if they were used for purposes outside those of the trading concern—for example, if they were made available to a visiting director for his personal account.

These recommendations have been generally welcomed though there is disappointment in some quarters that the Commission did not take this opportunity to examine the whole question of whether profits overseas should be liable for United Kingdom tax at all.

The Commission has also been criticised for its equivocation in the matter of the shareholders' right to benefit from tax relief granted to "pioneer industries."

But, though it may not have gone far enough to satisfy everyone, the Commission's report has dealt sensibly with some of the more glaring anomalies of the United Kingdom system of taxation on overseas profits.

It remains now to be seen whether it was presented in time for the Chancellor to consider it with a view to incorporating its recommendations in his Budget proposals.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE. "Take-over bids" and the possibility of more to follow, provided the background for a new burst of speculative activity in shares and brewery shares in the past week.

Most attractive offer was that made by the house of Fraser for shares of Blinn's, who own nine department stores in the North of England and Scotland.

So far the directors of Blinn's have offered no guidance to shareholders but the company's shares, which previously stood on the Newcastle Stock Exchange at around £5, have moved up to £14 1/2.

A somewhat less spectacular offer has been made for shares of the boot and shoe manufacturing company of H.E. Randall.

Anglo-Scottish Securities have bid the equivalent of 68 1/2 per cent share in the company, and the directors of Randall's have recommended shareholders to accept.

If the offer is taken up, the Anglo-Scottish Securities intend to resell the shares to H. and M. Rayne.

Since this offer was made there have been rumours of a counter-offer of 70 1/2 per cent of Randall's shares remains 63 3/4.

BREWERY RUMOURS. Apart from speculative interest there has also been some buying of shares of a more permanent nature.

Harrod's, John Barker's and Great Universal Stores all advanced during the week. But Harrod's and Hollingworth reacted on a denial of "bid" rumours concerning the company's shares.

Following Watney's bid for the brewery concern of Tarnplan, speculative interest has spread to the shares of other small brewery companies.

Take-over rumours were responsible for rises in the price

of shares in three small brewery concerns—Portsmouth and Brighton United, Peiray, Holroyd and Healy's, and Newcastle.

Later, however, Friary, Holroyd reacted on a denial of the rumour that the company had received an offer.

It is interesting to note the effect of the recent spate of take-over bids and rumours.

THE REASON. Reason for these bids lies in the voluntary "dividend freeze" policy adopted by many boards of directors in accordance with the Government's request.

This, however, has had the effect of depreciating the market value of many shares in relation to the true assets they represent.

There is reason to believe, however, that many company boards are having second thoughts.

A successful offer for the Sears boot and shoe concern by the Investment Registry emphasised the danger of their present policy, and investors are hoping that they have been sufficiently alarmed to "unfreeze" dividend payments.

In any case investors are looking around for shares in companies whose earnings amply cover recent distributions and this is one of the reasons for the continued firmness of industrial share prices.

The gilt-edged market was fairly quiet until Friday when prices advanced as a result of bear covering.

In the commodity markets teas have been a bright spot, partly on hopes that the recommendations of the Royal Commission on taxation regarding double tax relief would, if carried into effect in the Budget, benefit British companies operating in India.

GOOD RECOVERY. London, Mar. 1.

Much long-term money went into industrial shares this week. The Financial Times' index has risen 7.5 per cent this month, closing at 124.

What this really means is that industrial recovered nearly all the ground lost since the raising of the bank rate in November, 1951. A real blow to investment values came last time for the index of high grade industrial shares tumbling to 103.1.

But in the course of the past 12 months, the market values recovered almost the full amount lost under the "new monetary policy."

Perhaps the chief event of the Stock Exchange this past week was a sudden explosion of protest against the decision to build a public gallery from which tourists and visitors could watch the great bourse at work. The petition of protest was signed by 188 members and contained many influential names.

BUDGET BELIEF. British Governments had a good week with transport stock up 12 1/2d and others up 5 1/2d. Apparently the belief has spread that Mr Butler, despite his difficulties, will produce a decent Budget.

Another factor is the continued strength of Sterling. Royal Dutch was down 1/8 and others down about 6d.

Gold shares were active but others were unchanged with the exception of Anglo-Americans, up nearly 8.

Coppers were rather weak, notably Rhokana, down 12 1/2d. Japanese bonds were weak and, where they showed any activity at all, down 2 1/2, 2 1/2 and 2 1/2.

Germans were fractionally down except seven per cent potash, up 1 1/4 to 2 1/4.—United Press.

Rubber Futures In Spore

Singapore, Feb. 28.

Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:

March 1953 ..... 77 1/2-78 1/2  
April 1953 ..... 75 1/2-76 1/2  
May 1953 ..... 73 1/2-74 1/2  
June 1953 ..... 71 1/2-72 1/2  
July 1953 ..... 69 1/2-70 1/2  
August 1953 ..... 67 1/2-68 1/2  
September 1953 ..... 65 1/2-66 1/2  
October 1953 ..... 63 1/2-64 1/2  
November 1953 ..... 61 1/2-62 1/2  
December 1953 ..... 59 1/2-60 1/2  
No. 1 pale crepe ..... 61-62  
No. 1 pale crepe ..... 61-62

## Slowdown In Textiles

New York, Mar. 1. A business slowdown marked all the basic textile and fibre markets this past week.

In cotton grey goods, print cloth yarn fabrics were still in the forefront of the picture with emphasis on goods for quick delivery but contract positions were still being avoided as much as possible.

The main object now among converters is to get goods through the finishing plants in time to complete Spring deliveries.

Sheetings, drills, twills and other fabrics remained on the dull side.—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$270,031. Non quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES  
BANKS  
HSBC Bank Ltd 1340 1370 34 @ 1350  
Union Bank Ltd 1100 1120 20 @ 1110  
N. P. Wharf 100 105 10 @ 102 1/2  
SHIPPING  
Waterport 13  
Asia Nav. 153  
DOCKS, ETC.  
K. Wharf 80  
N. P. Wharf 100 105 10 @ 102 1/2  
Dock 10 500 @ 10 1/2  
Provident 13 13.20 500 @ 13 1/2  
Provident (New) 11.40 11.00  
Star Dock 2.10  
Wheelock 7.40 7 1/2  
LAND, ETC.  
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Electric 21.60 21.80 700 @ 21 7/8  
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Railways In India To Celebrate Their Centenary

New Delhi, Mar. 1. India's British-built \$1,680,000,000 nationalised railways system—biggest in Asia and fourth largest in the world—will celebrate its first 100 years starting on March 7.

The Prime Minister, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, is to inaugurate festivities running through April 16, actual centenary date of the first Indian railway journey near Bombay in 1853.

The Centenary Committee Secretary, Mr D. N. Sandilya, said in an interview that an international railways exhibition in Delhi high-lighting the celebrations will display the second railway engine used in India.

He explained that the first has not been preserved, but that history reveals "The second was really intended to be the first in any case. It got shipped by mistake to Australia and did not reach India until the following year."

Altogether 40 railway locomotives and wagons with either present-day or historical interest have been rounded up for the exhibition. Twenty-five foreign firms from 11 countries have arranged displays, including Government-organised exhibits from the United States and Yugoslavia.

Although invitations have been sent to all countries on India's diplomatic list through official channels, most members of the Soviet bloc have not even responded. Russia declined the invitation to take part.

In addition to the U.S. and Yugoslavia, overseas exhibitors are Great Britain, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, France, Sweden, Japan, Belgium, and Germany. Fifty Indian firms manufacturing railway parts and equipment have also entered displays.

Exhibits will show not only railway history and the nature of modern production in the

## To Reduce Cotton Acreage?

Karachi, Mar. 1. Pakistan, with 1,200,000 bales of its current cotton crop still unsold, is considering a 30 per cent curtailment in cotton acreage.

This year Pakistan growers formed 3,000,000 acres of cotton land, and the unsold yield from this heavy acreage has piled up in warehouses and port cities as the world cotton market tightened.

During the first four months of the cotton year starting with September, 1952, Pakistan shipped about 435,000 bales of raw cotton abroad. Heaviest buyers were Japan (177,000 bales), the USSR (78,000 bales), West Germany (30,000 bales) and Hongkong (34,000 bales).

Heavy competition from Egypt and other cotton-producing countries cut deeply into Pakistan sales abroad. The Government is studying emergency measures to move out unsold cotton jamming the Pakistan warehouses.—Associated Press.

## Car Firm Merger Rumoured

New York, Mar. 1. The head of Willys-Overland Motors Incorporated has denied that negotiations were under way to merge his firm with the Kaiser Frazer Corporation.

Officials of both concerns were reported yesterday to be meeting here to consider combining the two car firms.

But Ward M. Cawpaday, chairman-president of Willys-Overland, said last night: "Various individuals and groups, including Kaiser Frazer, have approached us in the past few years for discussions of merger possibilities."

"At the present time there is no proposal before us and no action concerning any has been taken."

Washington quarters reported that officials of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation were in New York to attend the meeting.

The RFC would have to approve any such merger because it has US\$48,000,000 in loans outstanding to Kaiser Frazer.—United Press.

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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### Fine Feathers

MATILDA displayed in her dress about as much restraint as pantomime dainties exhibit when robed to take the final curtain. She is a woman, clearly, with a large and varied wardrobe, and she likes to wear it all at once.

A team of women fashion-writers would be needed to do justice to what Matilda wore at Great Marlborough Street the other morning. A man can do no more than report some of the more striking features of her outfit.

There was feather boa or tippet or stole, a sad affair of swansdown, peach-coloured; and the fur coat, short and cut rather in the manner of a hacking jacket, tied round the waist with what looked like a black pylona girdle. There was more swansdown in this case shell-pink, about her cuffs; and over the whole, Matilda wore, in the casual way that Argentine cowboys wear a poncho or highlanders a plaid, Matilda wore a square of dark brown underfelt, proudly knotted on her right shoulder. As Matilda is a generously built woman, the total effect was rather like that of a warship, or a power-station, dressed overall with bunting for some festival.

#### IN HYDE PARK

MATILDA, in all the splendour of her finery had, the evening before, been arrested in Hyde Park, and she was charged now with annoying men by pressing her company upon them. She pleaded not guilty, in tones whose hauteur matched her general appearance.

Two policemen told the story to Mr Rowland Thomas, Q.C., the magistrate, and then it was Matilda's turn to go into the witness-box. She took the oath, placed her arms akimbo, and said, "The trouble with people is that they're jealous of my clothes." She paused to let the weight of the accusation sink in. Then the learned clerk prompted her: "What do you say happened last night?"

"Well," Matilda said, "I was waiting about for a porter I know, and the wind kept blowing my fur about (here Matilda fondled the peach-coloured swansdown she had round her neck). It blew it about so much that at last I took it off, and put it into that place where, you know, the place where you're supposed to put wastepaper."

#### DECEPTIVE

"YOU mean you put your fur into the dustbin?" the magistrate asked.

"That's right," said Matilda. "Well, there were one or two people passing, and I'm rather partial to speaking to people, which is perhaps why my fur blew about. I was annoyed by these men. As I say, I was talking to people, being partial to it."

"The evidence rather suggested that," said the magistrate. "Quite," said Matilda, as if glad to have something in the proceedings which she could agree. "Appearances are often deceptive, aren't they?"

The magistrate looked at her rather hard for a moment, then said: "They are."

"Well, with me not liking to go into pubs," said Matilda, in a summing-up sort of voice, "and with not having much money except two or three mornings' cleaning at 2s an hour, I think that all I've got to say." She patted her swansdown, and left the box, looking as though she felt she had put the whole thing rather neatly.

#### THEY WATCHED

"I find this case proved," said the magistrate. "Anything known?"

The gaoler reported that Matilda had been well known to the police since 1935. "Pay 40s, or go to prison for one month," said Mr Thomas. Matilda swept out, and you could see she was scarcely conscious of what the magistrate had said. She had noticed the eyes of the women in the public gallery were on her. She was feasting on their envy of her wardrobe. She felt fine.

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## UN Waits For Vyshinsky

United Nations, Mar. 2. The United Nations Political Committee resumed its adjourned debate on Korea today with Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky still to reply to America's accusation that Russia is backing the aggressors in Korea.

The debate was suspended on Thursday night and three planned meetings were cancelled because no one was ready to address the Committee. Since then representatives of five countries including two from the Communist group, have had their names down for the debate today.

Delegates from Czechoslovakia, Cuba, Belgium and Ecuador have asked to speak in the morning session and the Polish delegate in the afternoon. If Mr Vyshinsky is ready, Poland may give up her place in the afternoon.

The Russian delegate has promised to answer the challenge thrown down last week by Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, leading American delegate who declared that Russia was actively assisting the aggressor in Korea.

He called on Mr Vyshinsky to disprove the facts if he could. —Reuter.

## A NEW APPROACH ADVOCATED

Washington, Mar. 1. A group of prominent businessmen today urged Britain, the Commonwealth and the United States to develop a new approach to Britain's economic ills, warning them that many of the necessary measures would "require" difficult policy changes.

The strengthening of Britain and France must be the cornerstone of American foreign policy, they said in a statement.

"Otherwise, the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation would fall apart, the morale of the Continental European countries would crumble, and the United States would be diplomatically and militarily isolated."

The group, known as the Research and Policy Committee for Economic Development, includes the chairmen of such big companies as the Bankers Trust, Bristol-Myers, Standard Oil and Heinz, as well as leading economists. It is a non-profit organisation, supported by voluntary contributions from business concerns, which aims to formulate economic policies through objective research.

The statement, coinciding with the journey to Washington of Mr Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, and Mr Richard Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer, called greater initiative by British management and labour in easing of American import restrictions, much closer consultation between the Commonwealth Governments, and more American investment in Britain.

Present arrangements for economic co-ordination among Commonwealth members were inadequate, the Committee said. There was need for much closer consultation between Britain and other Commonwealth Governments, especially Australia and India, on development policies. —Reuter.

## New Agreement With Krupp

Bonn, Mar. 2. An agreement on the understanding by the Ruhr industrial millionaire, Herr Alfred Krupp, to sever all connection with the iron, steel and coal industries by 1950 is almost complete, political observers said here early today.

Under the agreement he would not be able to buy his way back into these industries, but would be free to invest proceeds from the sales in any other industry. The other branches of the Krupp industrial empire, such as machine building, commercial enterprises and shipping, would not be restricted.

Herr Krupp's fortune is unofficially estimated at about \$50,000,000. —Reuter.

## The Bride Went By Gondola



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## Reds Declare War On Trade Unions

London, Mar. 2. Trade Union Chief Arthur Deakin warned British workers today that the Communist Party had "declared war" on them.

Mr Deakin is Secretary of the Transport Workers Union—with 1,300,000 members—and leader of the British Trade Union fight against Communist strike agitation.

Writing in his Union Journal, The Record, Mr Deakin said once again the Communists were trying to cause "industrial" disruption, regardless of the real interests of the workers.

Mr Deakin added that it was important that trade unionists everywhere should realise exactly what was going on and have a correct appreciation of "the war that has been declared upon the masses of people in this country" by the Communists.

"The pattern the Communists are following this time, as at all times, is quite clear. They are out to create chaos for the purpose of achieving their revolutionary political purposes." —Reuter.

## VAN FLEET NOT TO BE GAGGED

Washington, Mar. 1. Congressional leaders said today that they had been assured that General James Van Fleet would be free to say anything he wishes when he reports to Congress this week on the Korean war.

An influential administration official who did not want to be quoted by name said the former 8th Army Commander would be under no restraints except those he imposed on himself in testifying before Senate and House of Representatives Committees.

General Van Fleet said when he left his combat command in Korea and again on his arrival in San Francisco that "certainly" the 8th Army could wage a successful offensive. He added that the military debacle in Korea was "of our choosing and not imposed by the enemy."

His testimony on Korea will be given behind closed doors but Republican Senator Leverett Saltonstall said the Senate Armed Services Group planned to make public excerpts as it did with the testimony of General Douglas MacArthur two years ago. —Reuter.

## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.22, Children's Half-Hour presented by Sally Ann (Studio); "More about Bitter" (BBC); by Sir Lewis Allen; 6.30, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 7.00, Signal, World News and News Talk (Radio); 7.15, Victor Herbert Favourites sung by Rita Stevens (Mezzo-Soprano); 7.30, Marches and his Orchestra with John McHugh (Tenor); 8.30, I like what I like, presented by Peter Kelly; 8.45, Report on Korea—Written and Narrated by Colin White (Studio); 10. Concerto, the Philharmonia Orch. cond. by Alexander Gibson; 10.20, Chanson Française; 10.45, Artie Shaw and his Orchestra; 10.55, Weather Report; 11. Radio News (Recorded London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Music; God Save The Queen; 11.30, Close Down.

## Accused Men Level Allegations Against Complainant

Allegations that the complainant was not a fisherman, but earned his living by smuggling goods to Communist China, were made by two accused, Ng Sai-lo and Wong Hung, on trial at the Criminal Sessions, this morning on charges of shooting with intent to rob Tam Mui and assault with intent to do him grievous bodily harm.

The first accused, Ng, who is additionally charged with possession of a revolver and 15 rounds, alleged that Tam and his relatives had trumped up evidence against him to get him into trouble because Tam was afraid he would report him for smuggling goods to China.

According to the case for the Crown, both accused were in a boat in Castle Peak waters on the afternoon of November 23 last, and the first accused, Ng, hauled Tam's fishing boat. When Tam refused to go near him, the first accused fired six shots at his boat, but none found its mark.

The trial is before Mr Justice C. W. Rees and a male jury. Mr G. R. Sneath, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Det-Sub-Ins. Gurney.

Mr Sneath said that it was alleged that only the first accused, who did the shooting, but the law was that if it was a common enterprise, both were equally guilty. As to the intent, the law presumed a person to intend the natural consequences of his action, and he would have that jury to find that the accused in shooting at Tam Mui, intended to do him grievous bodily harm and the purpose of that assault was to rob him.

Police Ballistics expert, Mr F. A. Ewins, said that the revolver, loaded with six rounds and with nine spare rounds, was in good working order. The barrel and one chamber were rusty, showing that the gun had been fired recently. The other chambers were clean and oily. Five of the loaded rounds were old and corroded, but the other one was newer.

## Living Language

Why we say Decent sort of chap.

"Chap" is short for "chapman" which was the name for a dealer or merchant, or even (in Scotland) for a vagabond pedlar. "A decent sort of chap" came to describe anyone pleasant to deal with, whose visit was looked forward to with pleasure.

The complainant said that both accused were known to him; the first for about two months and the second for over a year. The boat the two accused were in was of the pointed "Yeung Kong" type with sails and larger than his fishing boat. The accused had four others with them. The first accused fired at him when they were some 100 feet apart. The shots fell in the water about his boat. He rowed away and managed to escape to continue his fishing. He did not report to the Police, but on December 8 he was asked to attend an identification parade at Castle Peak Police Station where he picked out the two accused.

DENIES ALLEGATION. Tam denied in cross-examination that he was a smuggler or that he had fabricated a story about the accused.

He admitted that his wife was also in the boat, but said she did not know anything of the matter because she was asleep. He added that he recognised the second accused although he was disguised as a woman with a kerchief over her head.

Three other fishermen, all surnamed Ng, testified that they heard shots coming from the Yeung Kong boat firing at Tam's boat.

They admitted they were re-elected, but denied that they were being used by some one else to give false evidence.

D.P.C. 808, Shum Wai, of Ping Shan Station, said that he arrested the second accused in Portland Street on information on December 3 in the course of his investigations into the shooting incident. Two days later the first accused was arrested on information in Chin Chai Street. The first accused took the

## Thief And Conspirator Convicted

The thief who stole a watch and the man from whom he stole it were convicted and sentenced when they pleaded guilty to larceny and compounding the felony respectively before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

The thief, Lin Wing-lam admitted that he stole a wrist-watch from Chen To-yi in June last year at 100 Queen's Road East. Lin said that after the theft, he went to Macao and pawned the watch.

Det. Sub-Ins. G. C. Morgan, prosecuting, revealed that sometime last year, after the theft, the complainant met Lin in Hongkong, and received \$20 from Lin, but did not report the matter to the Police.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION. THIS isn't very difficult. Let A stand for Antrobis (etc.) and we have:

Rider	Horse	Owner
A	B	C
B	C	D
C	D	E
D	E	F
E	F	G
F	G	H
G	H	I
H	I	J
I	J	K
J	K	L
K	L	M
L	M	N
M	N	O
N	O	P
O	P	Q
P	Q	R
Q	R	S
R	S	T
S	T	U
T	U	V
U	V	W
V	W	X
W	X	Y
X	Y	Z

Since X is clearly A, the table becomes:

Rider	Horse	Owner
A	B	C
B	C	D
C	D	E
D	E	F
E	F	G
F	G	H
G	H	I
H	I	J
I	J	K
J	K	L
K	L	M
L	M	N
M	N	O
N	O	P
O	P	Q
P	Q	R
Q	R	S
R	S	T
S	T	U
T	U	V
U	V	W
V	W	X
W	X	Y
X	Y	Z

So Antrobis' horse is Daydream, and Daydream's code is the horse Antrobis.

London Express Service.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I forgot to warn the baby sitter not to let Junior play with his chemistry set!"

## From The Files 100 Years Ago

From Shanghai there are accounts of the Rebellion, which would be alarming but that for years past, and when the insurrection was nearer at hand, we have had reports equally portentous, often turning out to be unfounded, and never more than partially confirmed. However, attention more than usual importance to an Imperial Edict, which, besides announcing that the troops of the Klink and Amour have been ordered to take the field, gives the following picture, colored according to Chinese taste, of the present condition of affairs—

"Since the Army was put in motion, about two years have gone by. The sickly districts of Kwang-see have not been recovered, and Hoonan has been trodden in dust and ash more recently the spirit of Rebellion has burst into a flame, and the troubles have reached Woon-chang and Han-yang. The districts passed over have been all trampled under foot, and although happily the two Provincial Cities of Kwel-in and Chang-sha were preserved, yet the sufferings of my people who have been driven from their homes are indescribable."

## SECOND EDITION

The Peking Gazette contains another Edict degrading Su for suffering the town of Yoh-chau to fall into the hands of the Rebels; but at the same time ordering him to remain in supreme command of the Imperial Forces, and in the Governor-Generalship of Liang Hu (Kuan-an and Hu-pai); and two other Generals have been degraded, but also retained in their commands, in order that "by their future deserts they may atone for former demerits." Such, however, it seems, has not been their good fortune; for according to a pretty well authenticated report, Wu-chang, the capital of the province of Hu-poh, has subsequently (January 27) been taken by the insurgents, after routing the Imperial forces, and killing upwards of twenty officers. If these things be so Wu-chang is the first capital of the province to have been captured. In Kwang-sha and Chang-sha in Hu-nan, have been frequently and confidently reported to have fallen into their hands.

Nothing certain has transpired about their retention of the town of Han-ling (called in the extract Han-yang) or of the extent of the fire reported to have been made by the insurgents or their emissaries. It is remarkable that in all their progress through Kwang-sha and Hu-nan to Hui-nan, we do not hear of a single town or position retained by them, except Yoh-chau on the Yang-tze Kiang, and that is only a recent capture.

## DEGRADATION

We formerly mentioned the probable restoration of Kishan to favor, and contemplated the probability of Kiyang being again taken into the Imperial councils. We now learn that in November, Kishan was appointed Governor of Ho-nan; and that Kiyang has been ordered to Chekiang, on particular service. The degradation of the latter, if it be of both these statements, was probably owing to the influence of Hing-gun, whose sister is the Empress Dowager. He died in December last, leaving a vacancy in the cabinet, of which he ranked as the fifth member, besides being President of the Board of Revenue. For many years he has been a troublesome intriguer—indeed, since his own degradation in 1832, when he was appointed, but failed to put down a rising, or rebellion, in Hu-nan; it was after the fall of Kiyang and Muhchang, which he is supposed to have accelerated, that he obtained a place in the cabinet.

The Court of Peking has lost another and more valuable minister in Tu Shai-tien, the third of the six Cabinet Councillors, with a high character for wisdom and experience; and a correspondent remarks upon the coincidence of China having lost so distinguished a Councillor, while England was mourning for Wellington, America for Webster, and Spain for Baylen.

## Demonstrations In Karachi

New Delhi, March 1. The demonstrations in Karachi continued for the third day today, but on a lesser scale. There were 84 arrests, bringing the three-day total to over 1,000, the Indian government radio said. —Associated Press.